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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE
FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE
TOWN CLERK, SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF
THE POOR AND HIGHWAY SURVEYORS, TOWN
TREASURER, ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPART-
MENT, WATER COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF
HEALTH, MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD,
TRUSTEES OF THE THAYER PUBLIC
LIBRARY AND THE BOARD OF
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Report of the Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

February 1, 1926.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town
of Braintree.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein to meet at polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct No. 2, Legion Building,
Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen
Street.

On Monday, the first day of March, 1926 at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Warden of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors three Auditors, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the School Committee for a term of three

years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, five members of the Planning Board for a term of one year, and fifteen Constables.

Also, to vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?"

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the 8th day of March, 1926, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except those elected by ballot.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current fiscal year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer, harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Tax Collector harmless on his bond from any loss which

may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and any committee, and choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for salaries of the Town Officers and the expense of the several departments, including Town Counsel, the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

TOWN HALL

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall and for the services of a Janitor and Assistant Janitor.

CHARITIES

Articles 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, maintenance and repairs of the Braintree Home, the salaries of the superintendent and matron of the Braintree Home, the salary of the Visitor, salaries of the Overseers of the Poor, and the purchase of equipment for the Welfare Department.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 118 of the General Laws.

SOLDIER'S BENEFITS

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State Aid, military aid, soldier's burials and soldier's relief.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries, pensions and expenses of its Police Department, and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law, including court expenses, and the purchase of equipment for said department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, and for the purchase of new apparatus or equipment therefor, for hydrant service, maintenance of the fire alarm, and for the purchase and installation of new fire alarm boxes.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain the land surrounding the fire engine house in Precinct No. 3, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to report to the next Annual Town Meeting on the subject of the construction and erection of a building to house the Police Department and the Headquarters of the Fire Department.

INSPECTION

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of weights and measures.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of Inspector of Buildings and expenses of his department.

Article 18. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of Inspector of Wires, and for the expenses of his department.

FORESTRY

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care and planting of trees, and forest fires.

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of the Town having a forest.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect a sixty-eight foot steel Forest Fire Observation Tower on the summit of Turkey Hill in the Town of Holbrook, in accordance with section 5, Chapter 40, G. L.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health, including contagious diseases, vital statistics, inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing, dental clinic and tuberculosis nursing.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,179.97, being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners upon the Town for the care, maintenance and repairs of the Tuberculosis Hospital, in accordance with Chapter 286 of the General Acts of 1916.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 535 of the Acts of 1910, authorizing the construction of a system of sewerage.

Article 25. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 546 of the Acts of 1910, providing for the addition of the Town to the South Metropolitan Sewerage System.

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the construction of sewerage and drainage within the Town and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes or take any action relative thereto.

HIGHWAYS

Article 27. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including salaries, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, oiling streets, and purchase of equipment for said department.

Article 28. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lighting.

Article 29. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Pond Street, east of Fairview Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to rebuild and repair Smith Street and Smith Terrace.

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Elmwood Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Hobart Avenue from Tremont Street to Hollingsworth Boulevard, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Academy Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Arbutus Avenue, from Standish Avenue to Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Plymouth Avenue, from Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and re-

building of Park Avenue, from Brewster Avenue to Putnam Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the building of a sidewalk on Washington Street in Braintree Highlands, between the Holbrook line and the entrance to the Norfolk County Hospital, or take any other action relative to sidewalks on said street, in that section of the Town.

Article 38. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of sidewalks on Summer Street in South Braintree, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 39. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Plain Street, from Cart Bridge to Grove Street, and Grove Street from Plain Street to the Weymouth line, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 40. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Union Street, from the location of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co., in South Braintree to Commercial Street, in East Braintree, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 41. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild

the whole or any section or sections of Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to and to include South Braintree Square, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 42. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding Independence Avenue from the Quincy Line to Capen's Bridge, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Center Street from Washington Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 44. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Harrison Avenue, from Cleveland Avenue to Middle Street.

Article 45. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Holmes Street from Fairfield Street to Washington Street.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to widen Washington Street from Common Street to Capen's Bridge on the westerly side and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 47. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct

a drain with catch basins on Elm Street, from Elm lawn Road to the Fore River track.

Article 48. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct a drain from the railroad crossing at Elm Street to the Monatiquot River.

Article 49. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to drain River Street, from Middle Street to Monatiquot River.

Article 50. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Nelson Street, from Shaw Street to Prospect Street.

Article 51. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Mill Lane, from Commercial to Shaw Street.

Article 52. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Somerville Avenue ,from Shaw Street, 400 feet east.

Article 53. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a suitable sidewalk on Quincy Avenue from Allen Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Standish Avenue, so-called, from Arbutus Avenue, to Myrtle Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Bellevue Avenue, from Washington Street to Phillips Road, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue Extension, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to accept, as a twin way, Plain Street from the Plain Street Cemetery to Liberty Street; also to see what sums of money the Town will raise to widen and rebuild Plain Street.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Massachusetts Avenue, from Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Waldron Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 61. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Waldron Road, running westerly from Washington Street.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hillview Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 63. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Hillview Road, running westerly from Washington Street.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsworth Street, so-called, lead-

ing from Mt. Vernon Street, easterly, then turning northerly to West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hawthorne Road, so-called, from Thorndike Street to Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Common Street, so-called, from Washington Street to Sunnyside Park, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 67. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Walnut Street Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, the northerly Extension of Oak Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsmore Terrace, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hilltop Road, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 71. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Marshall Street, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 72. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Elmlawn Road, so-called, to a point 850 feet north from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 73. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Elmlawn Road.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Miller Street from Union Street to Marshall Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 75. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, May Avenue, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Dobson Road, so-called, from Commercial Street to Hobart Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Bickford Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to the Nelson Estate, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said Pleasant View Avenue.

Article 80. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Azel Road, from its present northerly termination to Lakeview Avenue.

Article 81. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Abbot Street, so-called.

Article 82. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way Burroughs Road, so-called, 900 feet north of Elm Street.

Article 83. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Townsend Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue.

Article 84. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, leading southerly from Elm Street to Adams Street.

Article 85. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly from Drinkwater Avenue.

Article 86. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 87. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, from Gordon Road to Harbor Villa Avenue.

Article 88. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension, from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 89. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called from Dobson Road to North Bowditch Street, so-called.

LIBRARY

Article 90. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books and for the services of a Janitor.

RECREATION

Article 91. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate to be expended upon Parks, Play-grounds and Public Lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 92. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of organized play or take any action relative thereto.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 93. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$11,613.55 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$10,000.00 for Bonds, and the sum of \$196,754.55 together with the sum of \$2,059.49, the unexpended balance of the year 1925, for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction for the coming year.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 94. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department, the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners, and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction, and expenses of said department.

Article 95. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand pipe thereon and to extend its water mains to said stand pipe, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special

act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 96. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a water main from West Street to the Quincy line on Granite Street.

Article 97. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a 6 in. main on the Town property, from Union Street to the Almshouse.

Article 98. To see if the Town will vote to reimburse Arthur B. Hayward for moneys expended by him for the laying of water mains on Park Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue in Braintree Highlands, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 99. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Water Commissioners to change their policy with respect to the financing of water mains in new layouts or take any other action relative thereto.

EDUCATION

Article 100. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools.

Article 101. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping a new high school.

Article 102. To see what sums of money, in addition to any appropriated in the preceding article or at any prior meeting, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping a new high school building, and author-

ize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 103. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of making an extension or addition to the Penniman School, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 104. To see what action the Town will take with reference to the recommendations of the Committee appointed under Article 90, of the 1925 Annual Town Meeting, with respect to purchasing or taking by right of eminent domain certain parcels of land throughout the town for the purpose of future school sites, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purchasing or taking, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 105. To see if the Town will allow a drain to be constructed in the Hollis Field, so-called, to take care of the ground water or drainage from the proposed new High School Building to be erected on Washington Street next to said Hollis Field.

CEMETERY

Article 106. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and protection of the Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

Article 107. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of a superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery.

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payments due on the Municipal Indebtedness and the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

PLANNING BOARD

Article 109. To see if the Town will instruct the Planning Board to prepare a comprehensive zoning plan for Braintree, and raise and appropriate sum of money for the same.

Article 110. To see if the Town will purchase or take by eminent domain land on the shore of Sunset Lake, north of the pumping station for public purposes, and raise and appropriate a sum money for the same.

Article 111. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain land at the four corners of Central Avenue and Tremont Street for highway purposes and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same, and for the widening of the ways at the junction of said streets.

UNCLASSIFIED—MISCELLANEOUS

Article 112. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 113. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A R., Braintree Post, 86, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lennon-Murray Post, N. 923, in defraying expenses of Memorial Day.

Article 114. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2,000.00 to provide a suitable building for the benefit of Lennon-Murray Post No. 923, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 115. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the Legion Building.

Article 116. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the insurance under the Employees Compensation Act.

Article 117. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay premiums on insurance policies of fire and liability.

Article 118. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for engineering.

Article 119. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to discontinue the house to house distribution of the Town reports, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 120. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages resulting from taking of any land for highway purposes.

Article 121. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages, resulting from the taking by the County Commissioners of land on Washington Street.

Article 122. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for suitable street signs and traffic signals.

Article 123. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to release to the Estate of Norton E. Hollis the interest of the Town in and to the real estate known as the "Town Pound" located on West Street in Braintree, Massachusetts, or what they will do with relation thereto.

Article 124. To see if the Town will vote to amend that part of Section 4, Article 11-A of the By-Laws, which has to do with fees, so that as amended it will read as follows—"Such fees as shall, from time to time, be determined by the Selectmen, shall be charged for all building permits issued by the Inspector of Buildings for the erection and alteration of buildings within the limits of the Town. Fees to accompany the application; to be refunded if permit is not granted."

Article 125. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 7, Article 5 of the By-Laws, so that said section as amended will read as follows:—"No personal property of the town shall be sold by an officer or board unless by vote of the Town or by the joint authorization of the Selectmen and of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, except that if its initial cost or value was \$200.00 or less, it may be sold by the authorization of the Selectmen; such authorization shall in each case (a) be in writing, (b) certify that the proposed selling price is fair, and (c) be filed with the Town Accountant."

Article 126. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10 of the By-Laws by striking out the 17th section thereof, which requires that the documents with reference to streets which are proposed for acceptance shall include a letter from the Selectmen, stating that the street in question is well built and of average construction.

Article 127. To see what action the Town will take under Article XLVIII of the amendments to the constitution covering the proper initiative, namely II, Section, 3, for "An Act to permit certain sports and games on the Lord's Day."

Article 128. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing and altering the so-called Monatiquot River Bridge on Quincy Avenue or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 129. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of inscribing the name of the Town of Braintree with the date of its incorporation on the Pilgrim Memorial Monument at Provincetown, Mass.

Article 130. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Ford Coupe purchased for the Welfare Department in 1923, and the Buick Roadster purchased for the Fire Department in 1923, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 131. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a four-car garage to be attached to the rear of the Town Hall, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 132. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take all necessary preliminary

steps, so that the limited Town Meeting Form of Government or a form of city charter may be placed before the citizens of the Town of Braintree for adoption, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 133. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Watson Street, so-called in Precinct Two.

Article 134. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Caswell Street, so-called in Precinct Two.

Article 135.. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chapter 654 of the Acts of 1913, as a Reserve Fund.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said first day of March, 1926, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meetng.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this first day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

EDWARD AVERY,

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,

SHELLEY A. NEAL,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 11, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JEREMIAH F. GALVIN,

Constable of Braintree.

Town Hall,
Braintree, March 1, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled in their several Precinct Polling Places to cast their ballots for the various town officers.

The Polls were opened in all Precincts at five forty-five o'clock A. M., and were closed at two o'clock, P. M.

The following Election Officers were sworn and served:

Precinct 1—J. Frank Lane, Warden; Dudley P. Howland, Clerk; Walter J. Robbins, Frank O'Rourke, Harry S. Snow, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, H. Parker Hobart, John Gallivan, Frank W. Pollock, Michael Novelline. Thomas Slavin, Constable.

Precinct 2—George E. Sampson, Warden; Edward J. Gogan, Clerk; Virgie M. Sears, George A. Arnold, Charles E. Hill, Francis J. Maher, Frank J. Mischler, Alfred H. Holbrook, Harry F. Vinton, Herbert Stackhouse, Harold S. Pratt, John J. Drinkwater, Jr., Alice M. Kirby. C. R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct 3—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; William T. McCormick, Clerk; Louis F. Cashen, Thomas F. Mulligan, John Rafferty, Charles D. Sheehy, William D. Levangie, A. H. Armstrong, John H. Cahill, Leo F. Starr. Augustus T. Wentworth, Constable.

At the opening of the polls the Ballot-Boxes all registered O.

At the close of the polls the Ballot Boxes registered as follows:

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| Precinct One | 1189 |
| Precinct Two | 1128 |
| Precinct Three | 1399 |

Names checked on Voting Lists:

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| Precinct One | 1179 |
| Precinct Two | 1128 |
| Precinct Three | 1387 |

Whole number of Ballots counted:

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| Precinct One | 1179 |
| Precinct Two | 1128 |
| Precinct Three | 1383 |

At the close of the polls the votes were counted, recorded, the result announced in each Precinct, the Ballots were then sealed and forwarded with the Total Vote Sheets to the Registrars of Voters, by which Board the votes were tabulated and the result announced in open meeting.

Following is the result in detail:

FOR MODERATOR

| | Prec. 1 | Prec. 2 | Prec. 3 | Tot.. |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| William F. Rogers | 764 | 906 | 760 | 2430 |
| Blanks | 415 | 222 | 623 | 1260 |

William F. Rogers, elected and sworn.

FOR TOWN CLERK

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Henry A. Monk | 921 | 929 | 868 | 2718 |
| Blanks | 258 | 199 | 515 | 972 |

Henry A. Monk, elected and sworn, by Otis B. Oakman, Notary Public.

FOR SELECTMEN

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Edward Avery | 635 | 407 | 1034 | 2076 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 585 | 725 | 406 | 1716 |
| Jonathan W. French | 830 | 912 | 552 | 2294 |
| Shelley A. Neal | 731 | 894 | 519 | 2144 |
| Blanks | 756 | 445 | 1639 | 2840 |

FOR OVERSEERS OF POOR

| | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Edward Avery | 614 | 404 | 1005 | 2023 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 576 | 719 | 400 | 1695 |
| Jonathan W. French | 817 | 904 | 546 | 2267 |
| Shelley A. Neal | 715 | 881 | 525 | 2121 |
| Blanks | 756 | 476 | 1673 | 2964 |

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

| | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Edward Avery | 630 | 393 | 998 | 2021 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 567 | 714 | 394 | 1675 |
| Jonathan W. French | 812 | 904 | 542 | 2258 |
| Shelley A. Neal | 713 | 875 | 517 | 2105 |
| Blanks | 834 | 498 | 1687 | 3019 |

Edward Avery, Jonathan W. French, Shelley A. Neal elected Selectmen, Overseers of Poor and Highway Surveyors, and all sworn separately for each office.

FOR TOWN TREASURER

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Otis B. Oakman | 838 | 904 | 798 | 2540 |
| Blanks | 341 | 224 | 585 | 1150 |

Otis B. Oakman, elected and sworn.

FOR ASSESSOR (FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Charles S. Hannaford | 476 | 536 | 554 | 1566 |
| Roger Lakin | 643 | 422 | 389 | 1454 |
| Blanks | 60 | 170 | 440 | 670 |

Charles S. Hannaford elected and sworn.

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER AND COMMISSIONER OF SINKING FUNDS
 (FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| George A. Walker | 733 | 885 | 761 | 2379 |
| Blanks | 446 | 243 | 622 | 1311 |

George A. Walker elected and sworn.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE (FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Carrie F. Loring | 719 | 886 | 743 | 2348 |
| Ralph B. Woodsum | 733 | 894 | 693 | 2320 |
| Blanks | 908 | 476 | 1328 | 2712 |

Carrie F. Loring and Ralph B. Woodsum, elected and sworn.

FOR AUDITORS

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|------|------|
| Ralph W. Arnold | 628 | 767 | 647 | 2042 |
| Herbert W. Curtis | 580 | 713 | 606 | 1899 |
| Paul Monaghan | 610 | 551 | 418 | 1579 |
| Charles H. Tobey | 500 | 457 | 405 | 1356 |
| Blanks | 1219 | 902 | 2073 | 4194 |

Ralph W. Arnold, Herbert W. Curtis, Paul Monaghan elected and sworn.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Otis B. Oakman | 759 | 887 | 716 | 2362 |
| Blanks | 420 | 241 | 667 | 1328 |

Otis B. Oakman, elected and sworn.

FOR MUNICIPAL LIGHTING BOARD

(FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Norton P. Potter | 768 | 886 | 662 | 2316 |
| Blanks | 411 | 242 | 721 | 1374 |

Norton P. Potter, elected and sworn.

FOR BOARD OF HEALTH (FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Percy T. Richards | 711 | 884 | 758 | 2353 |
| Blanks | 468 | 244 | 625 | 1337 |

Percy T. Richards, elected and sworn.

FOR PARK COMMISSIONER (FOR THREE YEARS)

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Blanks | 460 | 244 | 707 | 1411 |
| Albert F. Hollis, elected and sworn. | | | | |

FOR TREE WARDEN

| | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Clarence R. Bestick | 725 | 888 | 707 | 2320 |
| Blanks | 454 | 240 | 676 | 1370 |
| Clarence R. Bestick, elected and sworn. | | | | |

FOR PLANNING BOARD

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Theron I. Cain | 591 | 683 | 536 | 1810 |
| Arthur G. Chapman | 583 | 717 | 545 | 1845 |
| Mark Hennebury | 525 | 593 | 624 | 1742 |
| John A. Ryan | 432 | 450 | 509 | 1391 |
| Merton A. Turner | 553 | 704 | 508 | 1765 |
| Wallace W. Wilson | 527 | 519 | 416 | 1462 |
| Blanks | 2684 | 1974 | 3777 | 8435 |

Theron I. Cain, Arthur G. Chapman, Mark Hennebury, Merton A. Turner, Wallace W. Wilson, elected and sworn.

FOR CONSTABLES

| | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Harvey J. Annis | 605 | 830 | 551 | 1986 |
| Walter S. Belyea | 590 | 845 | 530 | 1965 |
| Clarence R. Bestick | 599 | 849 | 556 | 2004 |
| Jeremiah F. Gallivan | 616 | 843 | 583 | 2042 |
| Christopher M. Garland | 623 | 834 | 540 | 1997 |

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| Charles S. Hannaford | 589 | 835 | 552 | 1976 |
| John J. Heaney | 618 | 835 | 560 | 2013 |
| Mark Hennebury | 610 | 827 | 674 | 2111 |
| August Johnson | 616 | 830 | 605 | 2051 |
| N. Eric Nelson | 638 | 829 | 527 | 1994 |
| John P. Shay | 637 | 829 | 533 | 1999 |
| Thomas Slavin | 627 | 829 | 511 | 1967 |
| W. Gordon Stackhouse | 9 | 4 | 40 | 53 |
| Harry F. Vinton | 600 | 820 | 538 | 1958 |
| Augustus T. Wentworth | 642 | 827 | 642 | 2111 |
| Scattering | 4 | 1 | 12 | 17 |
| Blanks | | | | 137,706 |

Harvey J. Annis, Walter S. Belyea, Clarence R. Bestick, Jeremiah F. Gallivan, Christopher M. Garland, Charles S. Hannaford, John J. Heaney, Mark Hennebury, August Johnson, N. Eric Nelson, John P. Shay, Thomas Slavin, W. Gordon Stackhouse, Harry F. Vinton, Augustus T. Wentworth, elected and sworn.

A True Record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

March 13, 1926.

This is to certify that under a petition signed by James P. Gurney and other qualified voters of the Town of Braintree, and filed with the Town Clerk, March 4, 1926, requesting a recount of the votes cast on March 1st, 1926 for Edward Avery and Edward T. Dwyer for the offices of Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor.

The Registrars of Voters appointed Tuesday, March 9, 1926 at seven o'clock in the evening at the Town House, Braintree, as the time and place of commencing said recount.

The recount was made in accordance with the provisions of Section 135 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws.

The result was as follows:

FOR SELECTMEN

| | Original Return | Recount |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Edward Avery | 2076 | 2079 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 1716 | 1720 |

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

| | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|
| Edward Avery | 2023 | 2028 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 1695 | 1699 |

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

| | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|
| Edward Avery | 2021 | 2012 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 1675 | 1681 |

Certified by the undersigned this 13th day of March, 1926.

HENRY A. MONK

WILLIAM ALLEN

JOSEPH S. DRINKWATER

W. CHESTER CONNELL

Registrars of Voters, Town of Braintree.

Town House

Braintree, March 8, 1926.

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:45 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator, William F. Rogers.

Article 1. Voted to elect 3 Measurers of Wood and Weighers of Hay.

Charles G. Sheppard, Wilford F. Woodsum and Fred W. Piercy, elected.

Voted to elect 3 Measurers of Lumber.

Herbert W. Borden, Charles O. Miller, Shelley A. Neal, elected.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint One Pound Keeper, Three Field Drivers and Three Fence Viewers.

Article 2. Voted that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be, and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenues of the financial year beginning January 1, 1926 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 3. Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, and is hereby made custodian of all moneys of the

several Departments of the Town; the Board of Water Commissioners are hereby instructed to elect the Town Treasurer, Treasurer of the Water Department; the Selectmen are hereby instructed to require from the Treasurer such a bond as in their judgment is necessary for the safety of such moneys; that the Treasurer be held harmless on his bond from any loss caused by the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit with the approval of the Selectmen.

Article 4. Voted, that the Tax Collector be held harmless on his bond from any loss caused by the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit with the approval of the Selectmen.

Article 5. The Finance Committee presented their report and recommendations in print.

Voted, to receive the report and to consider this article in conjunction with all other articles in the warrant.

Article 6. Voted, to appropriate the following amounts:

FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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| For Salary of Moderator | \$ 25.00 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

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| Salaries of Selectmen | \$1,650.00 |
| For Expenses of Selectmen | 700.00 |
| For Clerk Hire | 390.00 |

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

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| For Salary of Town Accountant | \$1,800.00 |
| For Expenses | 100.00 |

AUDITORS

For Salaries of Auditors \$ 225.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Collector \$1,000.00
 (Plus Fees Estimated, \$300.00)

For Bond and Expenses 1,535.00

For Clerk Hire 950.00

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Treasurer \$1,500.00

For Bond and Expenses (including clerical
 help) 500.00

ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

For Salaries of Assessors \$2,400.00

For Expenses 850.00

For Clerical Help 900.00

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Clerk \$ 800.00

(Plus Fees Estimated, \$500.00)

For Expenses 890.00

(Item for Clerical Help referred to Finance
 Committee).

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Counsel \$ 600.00

For Expenses of Court Cases 300.00

REGISTRATION

Article 7. For Salaries of Registrars \$ 300.00

For Election Officers 1,100.00

For Expenses 1,300.00

TOWN HALL

| | |
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| Article 8. For Salary of Janitor | \$ 900.00 |
| For Salary of Assistant Janitor | 1,261.00 |
| For Maintenance and Support | 2,000.00 |
| For Repairs and Furnishings | 1,254.80 |
| For Grading Grounds | 3,000.00 |

CHARITIES

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| Article 9. For Salaries of Overseers of Poor | \$ 600.00 |
| For Clerk Hire | 300.00 |
| For Expenses of Department | 50.00 |
| For Salary of Visitor | 1,404.00 |
| For Expenses of Visitor | 351.35 |
| For Maintenance and Repair Braintree Home | 6,200.00 |
| For Outside Relief | 8,000.00 |

Article 10. Voted to appropriate under Chapter 118 of the General Laws the sum of \$9,000.00 (\$6,000.00 of which included in tax levy)

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

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| Article 11. For State Aid and Soldiers' Burials (not included in tax levy) | \$1,175.00 |
| For Soldiers' Relief | 600.00 |
| For Military Aid | 100.00 |
| (\$50.00 not in tax levy) | |

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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| Article 12. Voted to appropriate For Salary of Chief | \$2,500.00 |
| For Salaries of Force | 16,567.00 |
| For Salaries of Special Officers | 155.00 |
| For Pension (6 months) | 625.00 |
| For General and Court Expenses and Equipment | 1,745.00 |
| For Combination Patrol and Ambulance | 2,431.00 |

Voted on motion of Mr. Avery that a committee of five be appointed to study modern police methods and to prepare a suitable set of rules and regulations for the government of the Police Department.

Joseph N. Welch, 51 Holmes St., Braintree

Charles A. Powers, Robinson Ave., Braintree

W. D. Aitken, East Braintree

H. B. Barham, East Braintree

F. G. Pennock, South Braintree

Appointed by the Moderator.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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|---|------------|
| Article 13. For Salary of Chief | \$2,500.00 |
| For Salary of Permanent Men | 15,990.00 |
| For Pay of Call Men | 1,735.00 |
| For Pay of Extra Men | 1,700.00 |
| For Qualey's Truck and Expenses | 1,734.00 |
| For General Expenses (including hydrant service) | 3,485.00 |
| For Supplies | 2,363.00 |
| For Maintenance of Buildings | 500.00 |
| For Chief's Car | 1,568.00 |
| (\$1,268.00 from tax levy) | |
| For Maintenance of Fire Alarm | 2,200.00 |
| For New Fire Alarm Boxes: Liberty at Division St.; Edgemont Road; Clark St.; Hollis Ave. at Walnut St.; Liberty and Peach St; and Tapper at Pumping Station. | 1,966.16 |
| For Emergency Pung | 100.00 |
| For Insurance on Equipment | 238.20 |

Article 14. Laid on the table.

Article 15. Indefinitely postponed.

INSPECTION

Article 16. For Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures \$ 500.00
 For Expenses 250.00

Article 17. For Salary of Building Inspector \$1,000.00
 For Expenses 280.00

Article 18. Voted to establish the office of Inspector of Wires without appropriation.

FORESTRY

Article 19. Voted to appropriate
 For Suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths \$6,000.00
 For Care and Planting Trees 1,000 ??

Article 20. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 21. Indefinitely postponed.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. Voted to appropriate
 For Salaries of Board of Health and Secretary \$ 700.00
 For Fumigation and Care of Dumps 800.00
 For Collection of Garbage 4,800.00
 For Contagious Diseases 1,500.00
 For Inspection of Milk 100.00
 For Inspection of Plumbing 1,012.94
 For Tuberculosis Clinic 200.00
 For Dental Clinic 800.00
 For Vital Statistics 109.25
 For Inspection of Meats and Slaughtering .. 350.00
 For Inspection of Animals 125.00

Article 23. Voted to appropriate
 For the Town's Portion of the Expense for

the Care, Maintenance and Repairs of
Norfolk County \$4,179.97

Article 24. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 25. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 26. Indefinitely postponed.

HIGHWAYS .

Article 27. Voted to appropriate

For Salary of Superintendent \$ 3,000.00

For Salary of Surveyors 150.00

For Clerical Help 300.00

For Expenses 100.00

For Insurance of Equipment 1,008.40

For General Repairs, Etc. 51,050.00

(Articles 31, 32, 33, 50 and 51 cared for
under this general item.)

For Private Work (not included in tax
levy) 2,000.00

Item of Snow Removal laid on table.

For Special Sidewalk Construction (2,500.00
to be expended in each precinct.) 7,500.00

(this cares for Article 38)

For Special Work:

For Rebuilding Adams Street from Fore
River R. R. to Commercial Street. 3,800.00

For Rebuilding Commercial Street from
Adams Street to Union Street 22,955.00

For Drainage on Franklin Street 12,500.00

For New Equipment:

For Cement Mixer 850.00

For Tractor and Snow Plow 5,800.00

For Asphalt Kettle 950.00

For Repairs to Flash Lights 250.00

For Sidewalks 171.47

(from Excess and Deficiency Fund)

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| Article 28. | Voted to appropriate For Street Lighting | \$ 9,225.00 |
| Article 29. | Voted to appropriate For Repairing and Rebuilding of Pond Street, East of Fairview Avenue | 6,000.00 |
| Article 30. | Voted to appropriate For Rebuilding and Repairing Smith Street and Smith Terrace | 697.20 |
| Article 31. | Provided for under Article 27. | |
| Article 32. | Provided for under Article 27. | |
| Article 33. | Provided for under Article 27. | |
| Article 34. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 35. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 36. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 37. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 38. | Provided for by Article 27. | |
| Article 39. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 40. | Indefinitely postponed. | |
| Article 41. | Voted to appropriate For Widening Washington Street from Ca- pen's Bridge to Common Street | 1,386.00 |
| From Hollis Avenue to River Street | (from Excess and Deficiency Fund.) | 12,921.50 |
| From River Street to Storrs Square | 5,601.00 | |
| Storrs Square | 1,577.00 | |
| From French's Common to Thayer Place | 17,909.00 | |
| (from Excess and Deficiency Fund.) | | |
| For Land Damages | 12,410.00 | |

Article 42. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 43. Voted to appropriate
For Repairing and Rebuilding Center Street
from Washington Street to Quincy Line \$1,000.00
Voted on motion of Mr. Andrews that the Select-
men be appointed a committee to bring in recommend-
ations for relocation and repair of Center Street from
the R. R. Bridge to Independence Avenue.

Article 44. Voted to appropriate
For Constructing and Rebuilding Harrison
Avenue from Cleveland Avenue to
Middle Street 2,163.00

Article 45. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 46. Provided for under Article 41.

Article 47. Voted to appropriate
For Construction of a Drain with Catch
Basins on Elm Street from Elmlawn
Road to the Fore River Railroad Track 1,490.00

Article 48. Voted to appropriate
For Construction of a Drain from the rail-
road crossing at Elm Street to the
Monatiquot River. 540.00

Article 49. Voted to appropriate
For Draining River Street from Middle
Street to Monatiquot River 850.00

Article 50. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 51. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 52. Voted to appropriate
For Constructing and Rebuilding Somerville
Avenue from Shaw Street, 400 feet east 889.60

Article 53. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 54. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 55. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 56. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 57. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 58. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 59. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 60. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 61. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 62. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 63. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 64. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 65. Voted, to accept as a town way, Hawthorne Road, so-called, from Thorndike Street to Washington Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 66. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 67. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 68. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 69. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 70. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 71. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 72. Voted, to accept as a town way Elm-lawn Road, so-called, to a point 850 feet north from Elm Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 73. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 74. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 75. Voted, to accept as a town way, May Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 76. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 77. Voted, to accept as a town way, Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 78. Voted, to accept as a town way, Bickford Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to the Nelson Estate as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 79. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 80. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Azel Road, from its present northerly termination to Lakeview Avenue.

Article 81. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Abbott Street, so-called.

Article 82. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Burroughs Road, so-called, 900 feet north from Elm Street.

Article 83. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Townsend Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue.

Article 84. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, leading southerly from Elm Street to Adams Street.

Article 85. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly from Drinkwater Avenue.

Article 86. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 87. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, from Gordon Road to Harbor Villa Avenue.

Article 88. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 89. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called, from Dobson Road to N. Bowditch Street, to-called.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | |
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| Article 90. For General Expenses | \$4,500.00 |
| For Janitor | 300.00 |
| For Repairs to Roof | 1,500.00 |

RECREATION

Article 91. To be Expended upon Parks Playgrounds and Public Lands of the Town under the direction of the Park Commissioners 1,333.00

Article 92. Voted, on motion of Mr. Trainor, to defray the expense of organized play the sum of 800.00
be appropriated.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 93. Voted, that the Town appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$11,613.55 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$11,400 for bonds and interest; and the balance of the earnings for 1926 together with the unexpended balance \$2,059.49 of the year 1925 for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction for the coming year.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 94. Voted, to appropriate from the income of the Water Department the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction and expenses of the Department.

Article 95. Voted, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of laying street water mains, to be six inches or more in diameter and for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand-pipe thereon, and that to meet the said appropriation the sum of \$20,000 shall be taken from the surplus water revenues, and the treas-

urer, with the approval of the Selectmen and Water Commissioners, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$50,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44 and to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier dates as the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen may determine.

Further voted that the Water Commissioners shall fix sufficient rates to meet the expense of maintaining and operating the water supply system including the interest and the debt charges as they mature and the indebtedness herein authorized.

300 voted in the affirmative, none in the negative.

Article 96. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 97. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 98. Voted, to lay this Article on the table.

Article 99. Voted, that the present policy of the Water Board be continued.

At 10:30 o'clock P. M., it was voted to adjourn to Monday, March 15, 1926, at 7:45 o'clock, P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

Town House.

Braintree, March 15, 1926.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 8th, Moderator Rogers in the chair.

Article 6. On the item of clerical help for Town Clerk, the Finance Committee recommended an appropriation of \$410, and that \$300 from the Assessor's Department, and \$90 from the Selectmen's Department, be transferred to the Town Clerk's Department.

Voted to adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Article 9. Voted to increase the appropriation for expenses of Visitor \$270.15 making a total for expenses of \$621.50. \$50 not to be included in tax levy.

Article 14. Voted to take this article from the table.

Voted, that the Town, through its board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for Fire Department or Municipal purposes, a lot of land about 6000 square feet, lying on each side of, and in the rear of the Fire Engine House in Precinct 3, and that the town appropriate the sum of \$175.00 to be expended by the Selectmen, so far as necessary to pay for the same.

Article 77. Voted to reconsider previous action under this article.

Voted to accept as a town way Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue, to a point 1200 feet west from Quincy Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 98. Voted to take this Article from the table.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone.

EDUCATION

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| Article 100. Voted to appropriate | |
| For Salaries of Teachers | \$157,572.50 |
| For General Expenses, including Repairs | |
| to Buildings | 72,727.20 |

Article 101. Voted, that the Building Committee be and hereby is authorized to contract for extra construction which it deems advisable and includes balcony in auditorium and special brick for the new High School Building up to \$1,500.00.

Article 103. Motion that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$49,624 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, such addition to increase the floor space of the said School, and to meet the said appropriation \$4,624 dollars thereof shall be included in the tax levy of the current year and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$45,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19, thereof so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years, from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall determine, and that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to act for and in behalf of the Town with full power to employ architects, secure bids, and let contracts in the name of the Town, and to do any and all acts necessary to construct and equip said buildings within the aforesaid appropriations, and that said committee shall endeavor to have aforesaid construction carried to completion before September 15, 1926.

Above motion carried, 200 voting in affirmative; none in the negative.

The Moderator appointed H. F. Arnold, W. H. J. Fitzgerald, Ralph Woodsum, C. O. Miller and Walter R. Howland as the Committee.

Article 104. Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for Park, School or Municipal purposes, all or such part as they deem necessary, of a lot of land of about five (5) acres, situated at Braintree Highlands said land being owned by one Roulston and lying between Washington Street and Liberty Street, and hereby raises and appropriates the sum of twenty five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

250 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

At 10:30 o'clock P. M., the meeting voted to adjourn to Monday, March 22, 1926, at 7:45 P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. Monk,

Town Clerk.

Town Hall,

Braintree, March 22, 1926.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 15. The meeting opened at 7:50 o'clock P. M., Moderator Rogers in the chair.

Article 104. Under consideration.

Motion to reconsider the vote passed under this article at the last meeting, not carried.

Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for School or Municipal purposes a lot of land adjacent to the south line of the present Penniman School lot, ninety (90) feet wide and extending from Cleveland Avenue

to Monatiquot River, and it hereby raises and appropriates the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

150 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for School or Municipal purposes, a lot of land about twenty-six thousand (26,000) square feet lying between the Jonas Perkins School lot and Faxon Street, and it hereby raises and appropriates eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

100 voted in the affirmative; 2 in the negative.

Article 105. Voted, that the Town allow a drain to be constructed in the Hollis Field, so-called, to take care of the ground water or drainage from the proposed new High School Building to be erected on Washington Street.

CEMETERY

Article 106. Voted, to appropriate the sum of \$14,900.0 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, for the care and protection of Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

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| Article 107. For Salary of Superin- | |
| tendent | \$500.00 |

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. For Payment of Debts

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| Town Hall..... | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Norfolk County Hospital.. | 1,000.00 |
| Schools | 19,500.00 |

\$22,500.00

For Payment of Interest

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| Town Hall | 520.00 |
| Norfolk County Hospital .. | 450.00 |
| Schools | 9,998.75 |
| Anticipation of Revenue .. | 5,000.00 |
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| | \$15,968.75 |

PLANNING BOARD

Article 109. Voted, that the Moderator appoint a Committee of six, two from each precinct, to work with the Planning Board on Zoning, and that the sum of \$1,700 be raised and appropriated to pay the expense of this work.

Herbert A. Bryant
 Merton L. Emerson
 Paul Monaghan
 Joseph W. Parker, 106 Standish Ave.
 Charles O. Miller
 J. Caleb Justice

Appointed by the Moderator.

Article 110. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 111. Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen purchase or take by eminent domain for highway or municipal purposes about 900 square feet of land located on the four corners at the junction of Tremont Street and Central Avenue and hereby raise and appropriate \$90.00 to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for same.

100 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

Voted, to raise and appropriate for the widening and construction of the highway at the junction of Tremont Street and Central Avenue \$810.00

Article 9. Taken up.

Voted, to amend the records of the adjourned meeting held on March 15, 1926, so as to read that the sum of \$621.50 be added to the appropriation for expenses of visitor, instead of \$270.15 as recorded.

UNCLASSIFIED—MISCELLANEOUS

Article 112. Voted to appropriate
For Miscellaneous Expenses \$4,220.00

Article 113. Voted to appropriate
For Expenses of Memorial Day, to Post 87,
G. A. R. \$200.00
Post 86, American Legion 100.00
Post 923, Veterans For'n Wars 100.00

\$400.00

Article 114. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 115. Voted to appropriate
For Repair Legion Building \$ 500.00

Article 116. Voted to appropriate
For Insurance under Employees' Compensation Act 2,200.00

Article 117. Voted to appropriate
For Fire and Liability 3,952.98

Article 118. Voted to appropriate
For Engineering 2,700.00

Article 119. Voted, that the Selectmen continue the house to house distribution of Town reports.

Article 120. Voted to appropriate
For Land Damage taken for May Avenue 50.00

Article 121. Cared for under Article 41.

Article 122. Voted to appropriate
For Street Signs and Signals 1,438.70

Article 123. Voted, to authorize the Selectmen to release to the Estate of Norton E. Hollis, the interest of the town in and to the real estate known as the "Town Pound" located on West Street, in Braintree, Mass.

Article 124. Voted, to amend that part of Section 4, Article 11A of the By-Laws, so to read as follows: Such fees as shall from time to time be determined by the Selectmen shall be charged for all building permits issued by the Inspector of Buildings for the erection and alteration of buildings within the limits of the Town. Fees to accompany the application; to be refunded if permit is not granted.

Voted, that on buildings or alterations costing \$5,000 or less, a fee of \$5.00.

On buildings or alterations costing more than \$5,000, a fee of \$5.00 plus an additional fee of fifty cents for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof, by which the cost of such buildings or alterations exceeds \$5,000. The total amount of the fee in no case to exceed \$500.

Vote unanimous. Disapproved by the Attorney-General.

Article 125. Voted, to amend Section 7, of Art. of the By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

No personal property of the Town shall be sold by any officer or board unless by vote of the Town or by the joint authorization of the Selectmen and of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, except that if its initial cost or value was \$200, or less, it may be sold by the authorization of the Selectmen; such authorization shall in each case; (a) be in writing, (b)

certify that the proposed selling price is fair, and (c) be filed with the Town Accountant.

The vote unanimous. Approved by the Attorney-General.

Article 126. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 127. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 128. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 129. Voted, to appropriate
For the Purpose of having the name of the
Town of Braintree with the date of its
incorporation inscribed on the Pilgrim
Memorial Monument at Provincetown,
Mass. \$130.00

Article 130. Voted, to authorize the Selectmen
to sell the Ford Coupe purchased for the Welfare De-
partment in 1923, and the Buick Roadster purchased
for the Fire Department in 1923.

Article 131. Voted to appropriate
For the Construction of a four-car garage to
be attached to the rear of the Town
House \$2,500.00

Article 132. Voted, that a Citizens Committee
of six be appointed by the Moderator to make a study
of the methods by which the system of governing the
Town's Affairs may be improved and to make a report
of its findings at the next Annual Town Meeting.

The Moderator appointed the following com-
mittee: George L. Anderson, John W. Harding, J. Her-
bert Walsh, Joseph A. McCusker, Edward J. Sullivan,
and Charles G. Newcomb.

Article 133. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Watson Street, so-called, in Precinct 2.

Article 134. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Caswell Street, so-called, in Precinct 2.

Article 102. Voted, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$40,000 dollars for the purpose of constructing the new High School Building including the cost of original equipment and furnishings and to meet the said appropriation, \$4,200 thereof shall be included in the tax levy of the current year, and the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$35,800, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19, thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall determine.

Article 27. Voted to appropriate
For Removal of Snow \$20,000.00
For Automobile for Superintendent Streets 919.66
(\$250 of which not included in tax levy.)

317 voted in the affirmative and 49 in the negative. Mr. Higgins moved to reconsider; not carried.

Article 135. Voted to appropriate
For Reserve Fund under Chapter 654,
Acts of 1913. 6,000.00
In accordance with the By-Laws, the Moderator

appointed the following Finance Committee: James H. Maxwell, for one year (to fill vacancy); Charles S. Marshall, for two years (to fill vacancy); Albert E. Bentham, Walter R. Howland, George L. Anderson, Charles O. Miller and Charles W. Laing for a term of three years.

Voted to appropriate in the aggregate \$834,518.67, and that \$607,518.66 of that sum be raised by taxation in the current year.

At 9:40 o'clock P. M., voted to adjourn without date.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree.

On Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, 1926, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To hear and act upon the report of any committee and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

Article 2. To see if the Town will rescind the vote passed under article 103 at the annual town meeting of 1926, relating to an addition to the Penniman School and to see if the town will authorize the acquisition of land in the town by eminent domain or otherwise for the construction of a school building and to see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring the said land and for the construction of a school building thereon, including the cost of original equipment and furnishing and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 3. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of making an extension or addition to the Penniman School and for the original furnishing and equipping of said extension or addition, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 4. To see what sums of money in addition to any appropriated in the preceding article or at any prior meeting the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs to and replacements or alterations in the Penniman School Building or take any action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will amend the vote passed under Article 95 of the warrant for the annual town meeting of 1926 relating to the acquisition of land and the constructing of a standpipe and the extension of water mains thereto, so as to provide that the moneys raised and appropriated by the said vote shall be used for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand-pipe thereon and extending the water mains of the town of six inches or more in diameter, to the said standpipe, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for grading the Noah Torrey School site or take any action relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow such further sums for the purpose of carrying out decree No. 607 of the County Commissioners in regard to the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line or act in any manner in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate for repairs to and maintenance of the Monatiquot River Bridge, so-called, on Quincy Avenue.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said Pleasant View Avenue.

Article 10. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Board of Health.

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor.

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the removal and planting of trees.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a water main on Sagamore Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for grading the Hollis Playground.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain land of Mary Leatherbee on the easterly side of Tremont Street, bordering on French's Common, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase or taking of this land, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise for pensions to be paid to any persons by virtue of Section 77 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for the passage of a special act, permitting the Town to pension Frank O. Whitmarsh, for many years a call member of the Fire Department.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said twenty-sixth day of July, 1926, and by publishing the same once each week for two

successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventh day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,
SHELLEY A. NEAL,
EDWARD AVERY

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., July 9, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Town House,

Braintree, July 26, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the Town met at the place specified.

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 o'clock,

P. M. by the Town Clerk.

The Moderator being absent, the Town elected by ballot, Mr. William P. Kelley as Moderator, pro tem.

Reading of the warrant except the officers service, was by vote dispensed with.

The Town also by vote waived the reading the records of the previous meeting.

Article 1. Voted to consider article 1 in conjunction with all other articles of the warrant.

The Finance Committee reported by a printed document which was received and considered by items.

Article 2. Relating to Penniman School; voted that no action be taken.

Article 3. Moved by Mr. Arnold, that in addition to the moneys heretofore raised and appropriated by a vote passed at the annual town meeting in 1926, under Article 103 of the warrant, there is hereby raised and appropriated the sum of \$16,000 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, including the cost of original equipment and furnishings; such addition to increase the floor space of the said building, and to meet the said appropriation, the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town to the amount of \$16,000 therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, C. 44 and payable in accordance with Section 19 thereof so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, shall determine.

And that said sum of \$16,000 dollars be expended under the direction of the committee heretofore appointed by the Moderator pursuant to the vote of the Town under said Article 103 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926.

Moved by Mr. Andrews that the motion before the meeting be amended by striking out the words "sixteen thousand dollars" and inserting in their place the words "fifty one thousand dollars" and inserting after the name "Penniman School" the words "said addition to consist of six class rooms and an assembly Hall" so that the motion as amended will read as follows: In addition to the moneys heretofore raised and appropriated by a vote passed at the annual town meeting in 1926 under Article 103 of the Warrant, there is hereby raised and appropriated the sum of \$51,000.00 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, said addition to consist of six class rooms and an assembly Hall, including the original equipment and furnishings; such addition to increase the floor space of the said school, and to meet the said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town to the amount of \$51,000 therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, C. 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19 thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes or at such earlier dates as the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, shall determine. And that said sum of \$51,000.00 be expended under the direction of the committee heretofore appointed by the Moderator pursuant to the vote of the Town under said Article 103 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926.

Voted to adopt the amendment, as offered by Mr. Andrews.

Voted to adopt the motion, as amended, 179 voting in the affirmative and 71 in the negative.

Article 4. Voted that no action be taken.

Article 5. Voted, on motion of Mr. French, that the vote passed at the annual town meeting of 1926, under Article 95 of the warrant, relating to the acquiring of land and constructing a standpipe thereon and the extension of water mains thereto, is hereby amended to provide that the moneys raised and appropriated under the said vote shall be used for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a standpipe thereon and extending the water mains of the town of six inches or more in diameter to the said standpipe. This vote was unanimous.

Article 6. Voted that no action be taken.

Article 7. The Finance Committee recommended that this matter be referred to the next annual town meeting. Mr. Justice moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,681.00 for the purpose of the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line, in accordance with the lay out by the County Commissioners for the County of Norfolk under their Decree numbered 607; for the payment of land damages accrued and accruing by reason thereof; for the cost of the removal of buildings and ledges therefrom; for the cost of street and sidewalk constructions thereon and for the necessary and incidental expenses for any of the foregoing purposes; and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be, and he hereby is, authorized to borrow said sum of \$55,681.00, and to issue therefor, bonds or notes of the Town, to be pay-

able in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, Section 19, and Acts in addition thereto and in amendment thereof, so that the whole of said loan shall be due and payable in not more than ten years from the date of the issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier date as the Treasurer and Selectmen shall determine.

The Moderator ruled that the matter of reference took the precedent and that motion being put before the meeting, it was so voted to refer to the next Annual Town Meeting, by a vote of 255 in the affirmative and 63 in the negative.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate for repairs and maintenance of the Monatiquot River Bridge on Quincy Avenue, the sum of \$2,700.00 to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund.

Article 9. Voted to accept, as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to a point 1400 feet easterly.

Article 10. Voted to appropriate for the expenses of the Board of Health, the sum of \$2,000.00 to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund.

Article 11. No action taken.

Article 12. No action taken.

Article 13. No action taken.

Article 14. No action taken.

Article 15. Voted, on motion of Mr. French, that the Town, through the Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain all or such part as they deem necessary of a lot of land situated between French's Common and Tremont Street, owned by Mary Leatherbee, and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from

the Excess and Deficiency Fund, to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same. 131 voting in the affirmative and 18 in the negative.

Article 16. Voted to refer this matter to the next annual town meeting.

Article 17. Voted that no action is necessary.

Article 18. Voted to take no action.

Voted to adjourn, sine die, at ten o'clock, P. M.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of September, 1926, at one o'clock, P. M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers

for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties
for the following offices:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy), Representative in Congress, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, one County Commissioner, two Associate Commissioners, District Attorney, and Sheriff.

And for the Election of the following officers:

District Member of State Committee for each political party for the Norfolk Senatorial District, Members of the Republican Town Committee, Members of the Democratic Town Committee, Delegates to State Conventions of the Republican Party, Delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will open at one o'clock and will close at eight o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said fourteenth day of September, 1926, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this sixteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,

SHELLEY A. NEAL,

EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HENEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., August 24, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

State Primaries

Braintree, September 14, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the State Primary was held by Precincts. The polls were opened at one o'clock, P. M., and were closed at eight o'clock, P. M. The Election Officers serving were as follows:

PRECINCT ONE—J. Frank Lane, Warden; Dudley P. Howland, Clerk; Walter J. Robbins, Frank O'Rourke, Harry S. Snow, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, H. Parker Hobart, John Gallivan, Frank W. Pollock, Michael Novelline, Thomas Slavin, Constable.

PRECINCT TWO—George E. Sampson, Warden; Virgie M. Sears, Clerk; John J. Drinkwater, Jr., Charles Hill, Charles Cavanaugh, Frank Mischler, Alfred H. Holbrook, Harry Vinton, Herbert Stackhouse, Harold Pratt, Alice M. Kirby, Francis Maher, Clarance Bestick, Constable.

PRECINCT THREE—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; Clinton J. Scollard, Clerk; Thomas F. Mulligan, William J. Quinlan, John F. Rafferty, William D. Levangie, John Riley, Arthur L. Armstrong, John A. Ryan, Thomas F. Cassidy, Charles D. Sheehy, Louis F. Cashen, Augustus Wentworth, Constable.

The ballots of each political party were counted separately, declared sealed and recorded according to law.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

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| Precinct One | D....41 | R....545 |
| Precinct Two | D....25 | R....591 |
| Precinct Three | D....21 | R....808 |
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| Total | 87 | 1944 |

The result in detail:

FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES

FOR GOVERNOR

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| Alvan T. Fuller | R..... | 1529 |
| William A. Gaston | D..... | 62 |

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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| Frank G. Allen | R..... | 1432 |
| Harry J. Dooley | D..... | 32 |
| Joseph B. Eli | D..... | 28 |

FOR SECRETARY

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| Frederic W. Cook | R..... | 1358 |
| Frank W. Cavanaugh | D..... | 44 |

FOR TREASURER

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| William S. Youngman | R..... | 1358 |
| Daniel England | D..... | 58 |

FOR AUDITOR

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| Alonzo B. Cook | R..... | 1301 |
| Strabo V. Claggett | D..... | 56 |

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL

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| Elijah Adlow | R..... | 364 |
| Alexander Lincoln | R..... | 435 |
| Arthur K. Reading | R..... | 507 |
| John E. Swift | D..... | 31 |
| Harold Williams, Jr. | D..... | 31 |

FOR SENATOR IN CONGRESS (To fill vacancy)

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| William M. Butler R | 1343 |
| David I. Walsh D | 71 |

FOR CONGRESSMAN

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| Louis A. Frothingham . R | 1396 |
| J. Wilfred Richard . . R | 120 |
| Joseph La Fontaine . . D | 30 |
| Frank A. Manning . . D | 33 |

FOR COUNCILLOR

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| Chester I. Campbell . . R | 844 |
| Washington Cook . . R | 138 |
| William W. Ollendorff R | 397 |
| Peter L. Rowell . . R | 14 |
| Augustus W. Perry . . D | 36 |
| Otho L. Schofield . . D | 13 |

FOR SENATOR

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| Henry L. Kincaide . . R | 942 |
| Andrew H. Morrison . . R | 335 |
| Everett R. Prout . . R | 529 |

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

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| Edward Avery R | 1230 |
| Helen M. Ellsworth . . R | 591 |

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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| Frederick A. Leavitt . . R | 1265 |
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FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS

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| Walter E. Piper R | 1184 |
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FOR DISTRICT-ATTORNEY

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| Winfield M. Wilbar . . R | 1287 |
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FOR SHERIFF

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| Samuel H. Capen . . R | 1265 |
| Samuel H. Capen . . D | 45 |

FOR STATE COMMITTEE

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| Walter F. Stephens . . R | 930 |
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ELECTED

DELEGATES TO REPUBLICAN STATE
CONVENTION

George W. Stevens, Edwin B. Pillsbury, Stella Jones Merriam, Shelley A. Neal, Albert E. Roberts, Hartley L. White, Howard B. Blewett, George A. Walker, William J. Kelley, John E. Maloney.

NO DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES ELECTED
REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

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| Elizabeth Prario | 692 |
| Maria B. Hollis | 704 |
| Julia S. French | 693 |
| Alida N. Stevens | 716 |
| Daisy R. Nightingale | 691 |
| Felix H. Atkinson | 724 |
| Franklin H. Merriam | 709 |
| Frank C. Allen | 709 |
| Dwight A. Chandler | 704 |
| Michael L. Sullivan | 699 |
| Helen M. Ellsworth | 704 |
| Carolyn G. Williams | 693 |
| Bertha O. McKean | 712 |
| Mabelle Blanche C. Warren | 694 |
| Hartley L. White | 725 |
| Howard B. Blewett | 697 |
| Shelley A. Neal | 715 |
| Albert R. Qualey | 709 |
| James E. Folsom | 716 |
| George A. Walker | 720 |
| Walter B. Skinner | 709 |
| Allen Lawson | 715 |

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|---------------------------|-----|
| Jessie McGregor | 684 |
| William P. Kelley | 707 |
| Edward Avery | 839 |
| Percy T. Richards | 701 |
| Mark Hennebury | 691 |
| John H. Cahill | 684 |
| James H. Dignan | 690 |
| Morrill R. Allen | 705 |
| Kathryne E. Schraut | 693 |
| Laurence A. Trainor | 700 |
| Charles O. Miller | 705 |

The above named were duly elected.

Thomas F. Croke, Alice M. Smith, William E. Condon and James H. Starkey, were tied at 683 votes.

DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Arthur L. Armstrong | 47 |
| Thomas F. Mulligan | 48 |
| John A. Ryan | 47 |
| Russell L. Boutin | 45 |
| John T. Powers | 47 |
| John J. Foley | 49 |
| Joseph S. Drinkwater | 50 |
| John F. Gullivan | 51 |
| Timothy D. Sullivan | 49 |

The above named were duly elected.

Leo Halpin, Frank O'Rourke, Michael Novelline and James O'Keefe, were tied at 21 votes.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall..

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Tuesday, the second day of November, 1926, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator in Congress to fill vacancy, Congressman, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, 1 County Commissioner, 2 Associate County Commissioners, District Attorney, Sheriff.

Also to vote on the following questions on the same ballot:

Acceptance of the following

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE
CONSTITUTION**

Article of Amendment. Article II of the amendment to the constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph: Nothing in this article shall

prevent the general court from establishing in any corporate town or towns in this commonwealth containing more than six thousand inhabitants of the town government providing for a town meeting limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected to meet, deliberate, act and vote in the exercise of the corporate powers of the town subject to such restrictions and regulations as the general court may prescribe; provided, that such establishment be with the consent, and on the application of a majority of the inhabitants of such town, present and voting thereon, pursuant to a vote at a meeting duly warned and holden for that purpose.

Acceptance of the following

LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Proposed Law. An act relative to the veterans' preference in employment in the civil service.

The polls will closed at four o'clock in the afternoon.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each precinct, in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said second day of November, 1926, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hunder and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,
SHELLEY A. NEAL,
EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., October 18, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, November 2, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters assembled in the several precincts to cast their ballots for the various State Officers enumerated on said ballot and also to vote on the questions submitted. The official ballots were delivered to the Wardens of the several precincts and receipted for. The polls were opened in all the precincts at 5:45 A. M., and were closed at four o'clock, P. M. The following Election Officers served:

PRECINCT ONE—J. Frank Lane, Warden; G. Dallas Willis, Clerk; Harry S. Snow, John Gallivan, M. P. Novelline, Frank S. Pollock, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, Walter B. Robbins, H. P. Hobart, Francis M. O'Rourke, Charles P. Morse. Thomas Slavin, Constable.

PRECINCT TWO—George E. Sampson, Warden; Virgie Sears, Clerk; George Arnold, Alfred Holbrook, Alice Kirby, John Drinkwater, Jr., Harry Vinton, Francis Maher, Harold Pratt, Frank Mischler, Charles Hill, H. F. Stackhouse. Clarence Bestick, Constable.

PRECINCT THREE—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; Thomas F. Cassidy, Clerk; Thomas F. Mulligan, Jr., John A. Ryan, Arthur L. Armstrong, William D. Levangie, William J. Quinlan, Louis F. Cashen, Charles D. Sheehy, John Rafferty, James B. Riley. Augustus T. Wentworth, Constable.

The following Supervisors, appointed by the Governor, were also present and served: Amos J. Loring, Paul Monaghan.

The ballots were counted, record was made of the votes for each office and person and also the vote on each question submitted and the result declared in each precinct. The ballots, the check lists, etc., were sealed, labelled, according to law, the returns were then forwarded to the Town Clerk's office, where they were tabulated by the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk, and the result of the total vote announced in open meeting.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

FOR GOVERNOR

| | |
|---|------|
| Alvan T. Fuller, of Malden | 2889 |
| William A. Gaston, of Boston | 947 |
| Walter S. Hutchins, of Greenfield | 14 |
| Samuel Leger, of Boston | 0 |
| Louis Mark, of Boston | 9 |
| Blanks | 121 |

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

| | |
|--|------|
| Frank G. Allen, of Norwood | 2826 |
| Daniel T. Blessington, of Somerville | 10 |
| Albert Odie, of Brockton | 19 |
| Dennis F. Reagan, of Brockton | 24 |
| Edmund P. Talbot, of Fall River | 805 |
| Blanks | 296 |

FOR SECRETARY

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Harry J. Canter, of Boston | 81 |
| Frank W. Cavanaugh, of Newton | 787 |
| Frederic W. Cook, of Somerville | 2573 |
| Stephen S. Surridge, of Lynn | 12 |
| Edith M. Williams, of Brookline | 36 |
| Blanks | 491 |

FOR TREASURER

| | |
|--|------|
| Albert Sprague Coolidge, of Pittsfield | 56 |
| Winfield A. Dwyer, of Boston | 75 |
| Daniel England, of Pittsfield | 734 |
| Henry Hess, of Boston | 19 |
| William S. Youngman, of Brookline | 2556 |
| Blanks | 540 |

FOR AUDITOR

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Leon Arkin, of Boston | 32 |
| Strabo Claggett, of Newton | 1046 |
| Alonzo B. Cook, of Boston | 2249 |
| Emma P. Hutchins, of Boston | 44 |
| John R. Mac Kinnon, of Lowell | 16 |
| Blanks | 593 |

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Isadore Harris, of Boston | 30 |
| Max Lerner, of Worcester | 27 |
| Arthur K. Reading, of Cambridge | 2617 |
| John Weaver Sherman, of Boston | 22 |
| John E. Swift, of Milford | 740 |
| Blanks | 544 |

FOR SENATOR IN CONGRESS (To fill vacany)

| | |
|--|------|
| John J. Ballam, of Boston | 18 |
| William M. Butler, of Boston | 2206 |
| Washington Cook, of Sharon | 22 |
| Alfred Baker Lewis, of Cambridge | 7 |
| David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg | 1607 |
| Blanks | 120 |

FOR CONGRESSMAN

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Louis A. Frothingham, of Easton | 2827 |
| Frank A. Manning, of Brockton | 722 |
| Blanks | 431 |

FOR COUNCILLOR

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Chester I. Campbell, of Quincy | 2684 |
| Augustus W. Perry, of Boston | 690 |
| Blanks | 606 |

FOR SENATOR

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| John J. Gallagher, of Milton | 976 |
| Henry L. Kincaide, of Quincy | 2693 |
| Blanks | 311 |

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

| | |
|--|------|
| Edward Avery, of Braintree | 2430 |
| Helen M. Ellsworth, of Braintree | 1377 |
| Blanks | 173 |

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Frederick Leavitt, of Brookline | 2693 |
| Blanks | 1287 |

FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Walter E. Piper, of Quincy | 2635 |
| Ernest H. Gilbert, of Stoughton | 10 |
| Scattering | 6 |
| Blanks | 5309 |

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Winfield M. Wilbar, of Brockton | 2705 |
| Blanks | 1275 |

FOR SHERIFF

| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Samuel H. Capen, of Dedham | 2597 |
| Blanks | 1383 |

QUESTION NO. 1.

Shall an amendment to the constitution which authorizes the General Court to establish in any corporate town containing more than six thousand inhabitants a form of government providing for town meetings limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected for the purpose, which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 29, 1924, 189 votes in the affirmative and 40 in the negative, and at a joint session of the two Houses held March 18, 1925, received 262 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative, be approved?

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Yes | 1533 |
| No | 731 |
| Blanks | 1696 |

QUESTION NO. 2.

Shall a law which amends existing law by striking out the provisions that veterans who pass Civil Service examaninations shall be placed upon the eligible lists above all other applicants, that disabled veterans shall be placed ahead of all other veterans, and that disabled veterans shall be appointed and employed in preference to all other persons; and by providing in place thereof, that five points shall be added to the mark of veterans who pass such examinations, and ten points to the mark of disabled veterans, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 34 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 181 in the negative, be approved?

| | |
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| Yes | 1194 |
| No | 1472 |
| Blanks | 1314 |

The whole number of ballots cast—3980. Precinct One: 1221; Precinct Two: 1380; Precinct Three: 1379.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED TO DEC. 1, 1926.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Whole number | 527 |
| 386 Males at \$2.00 each | \$ 772.00 |
| 89 Females at \$5.00 each | 445.00 |
| 51 Females (Spayed) at \$2.00 each | 102.00 |
| 1 Breeders License at \$50.00 | 50.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,369.00 |

CR.

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|---|------------|
| June 1, By Cash Paid County Treasurer | 681.00 |
| Dec. 1, By Cash Paid County Treasurer | 582.60 |
| Town Clerk's Fees Retained | 105.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,369.00 |

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

SPORTING AND TRAPPING LICENSES

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number issued, value | 711.25 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

CR.

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| By Cash paid Div. of Fisheries and Game as per vouchers | 630.00 |
| Town Clerk's Fee Retained | 81.25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 711.25 |

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

Births in 1926

JANUARY

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | John Rossi, Jr. | John and Marianna |
| 1 | _____ Currie | Joseph and Katherine A. |
| 1 | Theresa Mary Currie | Joseph and Katherine A. |
| 3 | Isabelle Irene Wetherbee | Lawrence R. and Gladys C. I. |
| 4 | John Francis Howland | John P. and Mary S. |
| 8 | Stillborn | |
| 11 | Robert True Love | Walter S. and Alice B. |
| 12 | Virginia Gardner | Everett T. and Mabel F. |
| 15 | Berkley Ashton Eastman | Frederick G. and Marie B. |
| 15 | Marion Laura Baker | Abbott and Anna McL. |
| 16 | Walter Murphy | Andrew D. and Katherine H. |
| 16 | Gilbert Elwood Parmenter | Alphonse O. and Mary E. |
| 17 | John Sanford Gorham | Elmer K. and Helen G. |
| 18 | Lorraine Edith Carlson | Edward O. and Edith |
| 18 | Millicent Jeanne Whidden | William E. and Clara F. |
| 22 | Joseph Pincanzi | Michael and Josephine |
| 22 | Frederick Emil Wenger | Jean and Helen D. |
| 23 | Anna Augusta MacDonald | George V. and Anna A. |
| 25 | Isabelle Frances Cavanagh | Arthur J. and Isabelle E. |
| 25 | Elizabeth Donnelly | Robert and Catherine |
| 27 | Catherine Jackson Barclay | Nathaniel M and Anna B. |
| 29 | Earl Robichau | Bernard P. and Anna M. |
| 31 | Hubert Francis Mc Gurn | John E. and Agnes I. |
| 31 | Illegitimate | |

FEBRUARY

| | | |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 2 | Myrtle Cecelia De Wolfe | James H. and Lottie M. |
| 3 | Albert Francis Mattie | Walter J. and Anna Z. |
| 3 | Francis Emanuel Berlucci | Frank and Irene |
| 4 | Myrvil Allan Nickerson | Myrvil K. and Hazel L. |
| 5 | Willard Francis Watkins | Albert W. and Clara |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 5 | Claire Moisan | Eugene L. and Mary V. |
| 5 | Samuel Joseph Scott, Jr. | Samuel J. and Grace E. |
| 8 | John Neal MacDonald | Lauchlin A. and Ellen M. |
| 9 | John Joseph Dupras, Jr. | John J. and Nelie M. |
| 9 | Pasquale Delmonico | Pasquale N. and Mary A. |
| 10 | Ernestine Frances Orcutt | Ernest G. and Gladys M. |
| 12 | Warren Ernest Brooks | Robert F. and Laura E. |
| 13 | Ethel Loraine Trapp | Frederick and Mary E |
| 13 | Axel Alfert Numimi | Axel and Marie A. |
| 14 | Helen Irma Nummi | Axel and Marie A. |
| 17 | Patricia Joy Smith | Frederick G. and Elizabeth C. |
| 17 | Stillborn | |
| 17 | Stillborn | |
| 22 | Donald Guerney | Donald and Edith |
| 24 | Shirley Doris McLoud | Edward L. and Doris M. |
| 24 | Virginia Nelson | Eric N. and Helen V. |
| 24 | Warren Scott | Cyryl E. and Ruth C. |
| 25 | Robert Gerard Johnson | Frank W. and Mary J. |
| 28 | Prunier | Edward and Eva A. |

MARCH

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Norman Brasslow | Simon and Ida F. |
| 2 | Edward Joseph Hennebury | Edward J. and Katherine M. |
| 2 | Francis Joseph O'Rourke | Frank M. and Catherine A. |
| 4 | Robert Richard Fredette | Norbert A. and Ella E. |
| 5 | Joseph Lynch | Louis F. and Agnes W. |
| 5 | Robert Boudro Bowie | John F. and Annie J. |
| 6 | Lillian Wheaton Long | Louis J. W. and Wilhelmina N. |
| 8 | Edward Pechtimaljian | Milton and Varsen |
| 9 | Cora Ellen Van Dusen | Harold E. and Leola B. |
| 9 | James Robert Warner | Archibald and Edna |
| 11 | John Ireland | William and Elizabeth |
| 14 | Mary Elizabeth Gorman | John H. and Lillian A. |
| 14 | Jacqueline Bates | Fred M. and Esther I. |
| 17 | Joseph Warren Dwyer | Edward M. and Julia E. |
| 19 | Ethel May Harraden | Edward S. and Ethel E. |
| 19 | Elizabeth Magaldi | Joseph M. and Elizabeth A. |
| 21 | William Richard Cutter | Ernest and Virginia C. |
| 23 | Stillborn | |
| 24 | Glenn Philip Monaghan | Hugh H. and Olive L. |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 24 | Russell Edward Chapman, Jr. | Russell and Ruth E. |
| 24 | Joseph George Trott | Joseph W. and Alice I. |
| 25 | Irma Phylis Nason | Philip E. and Irma E. |
| 26 | Beatric Schwartz | Israel and Eva D. |
| 27 | Herbert Nathaniel Linscott, Jr. | Herbert N. and Gladys P. |
| 27 | Elizabeth Lorraine Cope | Phillip H. and Alice G. |
| 28 | Hugh R. B. Carmichael | Marshall W. and Marion S. |
| 28 | Rita Alberta Dahler | William E. and Dorothy C. |
| 28 | _____ Rand | George and Eleanor F. |
| 29 | Walter Allen Marden | Allen H. and Doris L. |
| 29 | Marion Constantina Venuto | Michael and Mary I. |
| 29 | Lucy Sala | Ralph and Flavia |
| 29 | Alfred Marasca | Alfred and Helen R. |

APRIL

| | | |
|----|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Reed Miller Carter | Raymond A. and Mary M. |
| 2 | Pearl Bernardine Craig | George S. and Myrtle L. |
| 3 | Stillborn | |
| 5 | Priscilla Barbara Fiorini | Rocco and Mary |
| 8 | Walter E. Taylor | Walter E. and Anna J. |
| 9 | Warren Frederick Gerstell | Warren E. and Ethel M. |
| 9 | Donald Earl Lindsay | Walter and Mary E. |
| 14 | Carrol Finnegan | Thomas F. and Flora L. |
| 16 | Martha Josephine Dwinell | James H. and Thyra J. |
| 18 | Mary Brady | John J. and Mary C. |
| 19 | Robert Parker Layton | Aubrey N and Melissa P. |
| 20 | Dominic Pantano | Frank and Giacana |
| 21 | Anna Jacqueline Ford | Raymond F. and Alice B. |
| 22 | Otto Emil Peterson, Jr. | Otto E. and Norma F. |
| 23 | John Barrett | Joseph P. and Ellen G. |
| 24 | Warren Harvey Elliott | Harry W. and Ethel N. |
| 24 | Marilyn Venita Smith | Samuel A. and Eilen T. |
| 24 | William Andrew Mitchell | William A. and Constance E. |
| 25 | Mary Margaret Curren | Michael J. and Mary |
| 26 | Constance Louise Fryer | Nathaniel E. and Helen L. |
| 27 | Frankie Messina | Antonio and Rosa |
| 29 | Arnold Jackson Soule | Elbert J. and Velma M. |

MAY

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Virginia Heffernan | John and Mary |
| 2 | James Frazier | Peter and Annie |
| 4 | Francis William Kildow | George W. and Lucy |
| 5 | Patricia Eileen Darrow | Harold F. and Eileen B. |
| 7 | Jeanne Margery Muirhead | Robert B. and Margery J. |
| 8 | Charles Seldon Woodbury | Everett S. and Jennie E. |
| 11 | Anna Teresa McSherry | Michael and Mary A. |
| 11 | Virginia June Proctor | Cecil S. and Virginia F. |
| 11 | Robert Woodman Parker | William H. and Edith H. |
| 12 | Eileen May Finnegan | Edward F. and Mary E. |
| 13 | William Arthur Horton | Arthur B. and Ruth |
| 13 | Rita Marie Lisano | Frank J. and Mary A. |
| 13 | Donald Milton Reed | Ernest M. and Mary |
| 14 | Yolando Barrasso | Antonio B. and Rose |
| 16 | Pauline Barbara Perrault | Lawrence J. and Isabelle C. |
| 18 | Wesley Thomas Hall | George W. and Mary R. |
| 18 | Stillborn | |
| 18 | _____ Sanders | Charles and Flora |
| 19 | James Christie Maxwell | John F. and Marie |
| 20 | Dorothy Eleanor Templeman | David and Mary A. |
| 20 | June Dorn | John and Ruth |
| 21 | Charles Robert Thomas Koffinke | Charles H. and Lucy A. |
| 21 | Muriel Ann Mischler | Francis J. and Emily |
| 21 | June Miriam Little | James R. and Miriam |
| 22 | Robert Mullaney | Thomas and Bertha |
| 22 | _____ Ozzan | George and Frances |
| 23 | John Burton Tookes | John H. and Edith A. |
| 23 | Marvel Peddle Sheppard | Charles P. and Grace |
| 23 | Marvel Linwood Allison | David H. and Mary L. |
| 24 | Charles Peddle Sheppard | Charles P. and Grace |
| 25 | Theodore Robert Boettcher | Alfred W. and Theresa M. |
| 28 | _____ Deberidinos | Carlo and Jennie |
| 31 | Frederick William Driver, Jr. | Frederick W. and Naomi R. |

JUNE

| | | |
|---|---------------------|------------------------|
| 2 | Malcolm Hersey Shaw | Harold C. and Dorothy |
| 4 | June Edith Barrs | George W. and Agnes N. |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5 | Stillborn | |
| 5 | William Kenneth Pollock | James and Grace |
| 6 | Paul Kenneth Finch | Walter W. and Mary D. |
| 6 | Robert Joseph Reardon | Timothy J. and Katherine A. |
| 10 | Jane Cahill | John H. and Olive M. |
| 12 | _____ Norris | Lowell and Helen |
| 12 | John Thomas Hamel | Wilfred A. and Mary W. |
| 13 | Dorothy Quincy Adams | Roscoe and Lilly |
| 13 | Robert Bradford Hill | Mervin B. and Miriam L. |
| 14 | Melvin Richard Meehan | Simon L. and Mary B. |
| 14 | Edmund Robert Bregoli | Attilio and Ida |
| 15 | Mabel Louis Holmberg | George P. and Ruth D. |
| 16 | Paul Hugh Dillon | James P. and Ellen |
| 20 | Dorothy Claire Hollis | William A. and Elizabeth E. |
| 20 | Albert Everett Spencer, Jr. | Albert E. and Olive T. |
| 20 | Parker Thomas Spencer | Albert E. and Olive T. |
| 21 | Lindsay Paul Ellms | Lindsay and Florence O. |
| 22 | William R. Cannavin | Joseph F. and Margaret F. |
| 25 | Theresa Marie Crispo | Robert M. and Beatrice V. |
| 25 | William H. Flaherty | William H. and Della |
| 28 | Marion Sectchell Cherry | Alan G. and Blanche A. |
| 30 | Willard Sherman Simonds | Willard T. and Viola E. |

JULY

| | | |
|----|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2 | Elizabeth Tricomi | Joseph and Grace |
| 2 | Virginia Hunt | Arthur W. and Margaret E. |
| 2 | Robert Harrington Reardon | John J. and Ruth E. |
| 3 | Francis Leo Le Vangie | Francis and Mary J. |
| 5 | Catherine Agnes Harkins | John F. and Jennie C. |
| 5 | Raymond Francis Clooney | William C. and Marion A. |
| 11 | Illegitimate | |
| 12 | Ida May Mahood | Cecil and Olga |
| 14 | _____ Bessett | Eugene and Mary E. |
| 15 | Stillborn | |
| 18 | Norman Edward Sharon, Jr. | Norman E. and Irma F. |
| 23 | Jane Wilson | Frank B. and Helen M. |
| 23 | Bertha Elizabeth Roos | Phillip G. and Marie V. |
| 23 | Janice Beulah Norris | Harold E. and Janice B. |
| 24 | _____ Nelson | Anton and Mary R. |
| 26 | Adelbert Roy Clark | Roy S. and Evelyn T. |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 29 | Mary Frances Ferranti | Biaggio and Vincenza |
| 30 | Selman Helen Brown | John and Alice H. |
| 30 | Eleanor Lorraine Magnuson | Roy W. and Eleanor T. |

AUGUST

| | | |
|----|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3 | Earle Everton Sabean | Jason B. and Dorothy B. |
| 6 | Ruth Pillsbury | William R. and Marjorie |
| 10 | Victor Hugh Heurlin, Jr. | Victor H. and Marion F. |
| 11 | Marilyn Hadden Davidson | Robert G. and Cora |
| 14 | Clare Elizabeth Cote | Wilfred N. and Josephine B. |
| 15 | Richard Alfred Frazier | Joseph and Emma |
| 15 | Constance Smith | Everett M. and Dorothy E. |
| 15 | Elmer Robert MacPherson | Kenneth N. and Thelma |
| 16 | Florence Gourley | Arthur G. and Florence E. |
| 20 | Henry Winfred Grady, Jr. | Henry W. and Mabel |
| 20 | Frank Edwin Sines, Jr. | Frank E. and Jennie E. |
| 21 | Marilyn Forrest | William J. and Grace E. |
| 22 | Florence Mary Picardi | George W. and Emily M. |
| 23 | Illegitimate | Hartley E. and Marcia N. |
| 23 | Justin Hartley White | Albert W. and Isabella |
| 23 | Ruth Alice Jackson | Leo N. and Laura G. |
| 24 | Myrtle Leona Drysdale | Warren P. and Mabel M. |
| 25 | Frances Greenwood Nott | William D. and Dorothy I. |
| 26 | William Charles Brown | Fridtjof N. and Ethel |
| 29 | June Nissen | Timothy W. and Angelina S. |
| 30 | Evelyn Constance Stack | Ernest and E'len T. |
| 31 | Maureen McLaughlin | Alexander M. and Alice J. |
| 31 | Neil MacLeod | |

SEPTEMBER

| | | |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2 | Nancy Virginia Giuliano | Basil and Angelina |
| 2 | Margaret Alice Stockdale | Joseph H. and Alice |
| 4 | John Michael Blanchard | John J. and Mary |
| 4 | Barbara Beatrice Lopans | Roy C. and Beatrice P. |
| 5 | Everett Alton Buker, Jr. | Everett A. and Mary M. |
| 5 | Arthur William Kitts | Karl R. and Doris L. |
| 6 | Walter Stephen Creswell | Alpheus C. and Marian |
| 6 | Virginia Watson Clark | Forrest S. and Gwendolyn W. |
| 7 | Robert Herman Belyea | Mansfield A. and Elva S. |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 9 | John William Stitt | George A. and Marion M. |
| 9 | Elizabeth Ann Morrisson | Walter E. and Melissa |
| 10 | Dorothy Pauline Kerr | Arthur P. and Hester P. |
| 12 | George Henry DeYoung, Jr. | George H. and Hazel F. |
| 12 | Edward Thomas Andrews | Percy H. and Mary C. |
| 12 | Frances Halloran | James F. and Anna P. |
| 13 | Valentine Ronaldi | John and Angelina |
| 16 | Russel Herman Barter | Russel H. and Helen P. |
| 18 | ———— Bourget | Sylver and Julia M. |
| 20 | Stillborn | |
| 21 | Richard Goggin | James A. and Isabel C. |
| 22 | Antonette Magazu | Frank J. and Alvira |
| 27 | Samuel Le Roy Frey, Jr. | Samuel L. and Agnes S. |
| 27 | James Henry Driscoll | Cornelius H. and Marion B. |
| 28 | William Joseph Dignan | James H. and Helen M. |
| 29 | Robert Joseph Barrett | John F. and Helen E. |

OCTOBER

| | | |
|----|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2 | Roberta Blois Fraser | Robert A. and Mildred D. |
| 4 | Leo Thomas Fillis | Leo J. and Margaret |
| 4 | Harold King Porter, Jr. | Harold K. and Dorothy P. |
| 5 | Catherine Altobelli | Joseph and Caroline R. |
| 5 | Ruth Wilma Cobbs | George W. and Beatrice B. |
| 6 | Doris Christine O'Neill | George H. and Jennie E. |
| 6 | Paul Frank Averd | Albert N. and Armandine A. |
| 6 | Grace Angelina Iameli | Bernard and Mary E. |
| 7 | Sydney Thayer Farrar | Lester W. and Mary E. |
| 9 | ———— Mann | Charles L. and Mary R. |
| 9 | ———— Mann | Charles L. and Mary R. |
| 10 | Mary Alma Donahue | Thomas F. and Mary A. |
| 12 | Stuart Ellsworth Raymond | Lloyd F. and Edith U. |
| 14 | Myrtle Marie Stevenson | Charles E. and Hazel M. |
| 14 | Judith Elizabeth Morton | Andrew and Ragnhild I. |
| 15 | Dorothy Smith | Bernard H. and Lillian E. |
| 17 | Norman Clifford Pray | Roger E. and Helen G. |
| 19 | Joseph Brady Cronin | Patrick L. and Elizabeth M. J. |
| 20 | Elizabeth Ann Griffin | Dennis J. and Katherine L. |
| 21 | Gene Draghetta | Ernesto and Borghatti E. |
| 21 | Evelyn May Wordford | Arthur W. and Stella M. |
| 23 | Eleanor Olga Johnson | George E. and Florence M. |

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 23 | Marilyn Elaine Close | John F. and Lola W. |
| 24 | Nancy Galvin Baker | Guy L. and Ruth G |
| 24 | Doris Anita Dugmore | Vincent and Ada H. |
| 25 | Donald Hastings Newton | Earle M. and Katherin H. |
| 26 | William Elwood Scollard | Clinton J. and Mary E. |
| 27 | Burton Raymond Brown | George H. and Olga |
| 27 | Thomas Campbell McGonnigal, Jr. | Thomas C. and Marion E. |
| 27 | Arthur Herbert Sandwen | Arthur B. and Alice J. |
| 28 | Lucy Thersea Healey | William J. and Catherine J. |
| 29 | Leo Howard Levangie | William S. and Margaret L. |
| 30 | Harold Hayward | Douglas and Virginia |
| 30 | Henry Francis Bates | Everett E. and Clara E. |

NOVEMBER

| | | |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2 | Marjorie Louise Crossman | Samuel and Ruth A. |
| 5 | Elizabeth Inez Wade | John M. and Marion |
| 6 | Ruth Frances Basher | Maurice F. and May E. |
| 6 | Katherine Levangie | Leo W. and Alice M. |
| 6 | James Richard Behan | Eugene H. and Gladys M. |
| 11 | William Walner Taylor | Howard J. and Minerva J. |
| 13 | Walter Winslow Hollis | Ralph C. and Ella M. |
| 17 | Russell Earle Wayland | Henry F. and Mildred R. |
| 18 | ——— James | Frank B. and Eva |
| 18 | ——— Whiting | Earle M. and Madeline |
| 19 | Joseph Leo | Angelo and Matzia |
| 20 | Stillborn | |
| 23 | Jennie De Francesco | Michael and Rose |
| 23 | ——— Post | Ernest and Anna |
| 25 | Rachael Veccione | James A. and Angeline D. |
| 26 | Robert Lewis Thompson | George W. and Louise C. |
| 26 | Richard Sherlock Key | Reginald H. and Marguerite L. |
| 26 | Donald Leon Plummer | Waldo E. and Edna C. |
| 27 | Stillborn | |
| 27 | Stillborn | |
| 28 | Richard Bates | Arthur S. and Gertrude E. |
| 28 | Carol Scribner Bradley | Charles and Lucia |
| 30 | Beverly Alton Jordan | Malcolm L. and Lillian M. |

DECEMBER

| Date | Name | Parent's Names |
|------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Illegitimate | |
| 2 | Eileen Janssen | Ernest J. and Susan M. |
| 4 | Stillborn | |
| 5 | Ruth Bradshaw Hogg Palmer | Henry F. and Jennie A. |
| 6 | Stillborn | |
| 7 | Ruth Edith Robbins | Franklin A. and Mabel S. |
| 7 | Earle Alfred Thompson, Jr. | Earle A. and Victoria I. |
| 13 | Cornelius Desmond | Walter D. and Mary L. |
| 15 | Claire Pearl Skoler | Samuel and Reba |
| 15 | Richard Murray Dillon | Maurice J. and Helen F. |
| 16 | Ann Collier Bicknell | George H. and Beatrice C. |
| 21 | Ernest Francis Gammons | William D. and Flora M. |
| 23 | John Jeremiah Pitts | Jeremiah M. and Mary C. |
| 24 | Arian Cranton Fowler | Earl C. and Mary M. |
| 25 | Dominic Natalie Caruso | Leonardo and Columba |
| 26 | Russel Thomas Erickson | Arthur and Mary E. |
| 27 | Robert James Daiute | Carroll F. and Dorothy |
| 26 | —Maloney — | Stephen A. and Oral |
| 28 | Irine Katherine Fontoni | James and Gladys |
| 31 | Ruth Ainsley Raymond | Harry P. and eParl I. |

Marriages in 1926

JANUARY

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | Joseph J. Sheehan Clara (Buker) Ross | Cambridge Braintree |
| 5 | Gordon P. Kearney Esther M. Smith | Braintree Quincy |
| 6 | Matthew J. O'Rourke Margie G. Thomas | Braintree Holbrook |
| 9 | Martin J. Sjolin Annie Julia Aberg | Braintree Braintree |
| 12 | Morris Janofsky Florence Cohen | Revere Braintree |
| 16 | James S. Sandison Esther W. Harraden | Quincy Braintree |

FEBRUARY

| | | |
|----|---|------------------------|
| 7 | Ernest E. J. Knaus Florence M. Wright | Braintree Braintree |
| 12 | Robert Chadduck, Jr. Frances Mansfield | Braintree Lowell |
| 13 | Dennis F. McNeil Catherine Hennebury | Quincy Braintree |
| 13 | Emilo A. Merzi Sarah S. Frazier | Quincy Braintree |
| 13 | Edward A. Hunt Catherine R. Maxwell | Braintree Braintree |
| 14 | Alfred B. Wilkes Angelina Fontoni | Braintree Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 17 | John T. Finnegan Edith F. King | Braintree Braintree |
| 18 | Lowell A. Norris Helen Curtis | Braintree Quincy |

MARCH

| | | |
|----|---|-------------------------|
| 1 | Frank E. Sines Jennie E. Pratt | Quincy Braintree |
| 1 | Laird S. Monahan Berla B. Smith | Braintree Boston |
| 7 | Edwin J. Allen Elma L. Sellberg | Braintree Quincy |
| 8 | Cyrus F. Cushing Addie L. Rhoades | Braintree Cambridge |
| 15 | William P. Allen Beatrice H. Moore | Braintree Somerville |
| 29 | George E. Johnson Florence M. Steele | Braintree Braintree |

APRIL

| | | |
|----|--|------------------------|
| 4 | James H. Dee Mabel E. Mann | Braintree Randolph |
| 5 | John B. Phillips Margaret (McKean) Witherow | Braintree Braintree |
| 10 | Franklin Albert Robbins Mabel H. Morse | Quincy Braintree |
| 10 | Everett A. Baker Mary M. McNeil | Braintree Neponset |
| 11 | Carlo Rizzi Nina Bonina | Watertown Braintree |
| 25 | James J. McInerney Lottie M. Wilkinson | Braintree Braintree |
| 25 | James Hennebury Winnifred V. Peevor | Braintree Neponset |

| Date | Name | Residence |
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| 26 | Ray A. Geddes Agnes C. Nelson | Braintree Braintree |
| 26 | Edward L. Whitehouse Signe E. Nelson | Braintree Braintree |

MAY

| | | |
|----|--|---------------------------|
| 1 | Bror V. Kjellander Elvira M. Karlberg | Braintree Quincy |
| 11 | Norman E. Smith Elizabeth M. Hatch | Braintree Marshfield |
| 11 | Dennis J. Griffin Katherine L. Watt | Braintree Braintree |
| 15 | Geralamo Gliaggio Rosa Perotti | Quincy Braintree |
| 15 | George F. Lawley, 2nd Emily Erickson | Braintree Braintree |
| 22 | James F. Gaynor Mary L. McInerney | Randolph Braintree |
| 22 | Alphonse Pezzella Frances D'Filippis | Braintree Quincy Adams |
| 28 | Samuel M. Lennon Carolyn B. Whitten | Braintree Quincy |
| 29 | Andrew P. Brow Alice J. Delorey | Braintree Braintree |

JUNE

| | | |
|---|--|------------------------|
| 2 | Allen P. Stearns Carol Witherell | Wollaston Braintree |
| 4 | Bert W. French Elizabeth H. McGlone | Weymouth Braintree |
| 5 | John C. Hubbard Dorothy L. White | Braintree Weymouth |
| 5 | George H. Bostock Helen Maloney | Braintree Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|--|-----------------------------|
| 9 | Aage K. Hansen Evelyn Morey | Braintree Stoughton |
| 9 | John H. Leary Barbara L. White | Weymouth Braintree |
| 12 | John J. O'Callaghan Belinda M. McDermott | Braintree Cambridge |
| 12 | Joseph Derringer Helen E. Reardon | Quincy Braintree |
| 13 | Malcolm McInnis May H. McCarthy | Braintree Boston |
| 14 | Harold R. Walsh Dorothy M. Wellman | Braintree Somerville |
| 17 | Auguste J. Hamel Josephine I. McCarthy | Quincy Braintree |
| 19 | George D. Hall Edith M. Folsom | Gardner, Maine Braintree |
| 20 | Oscar W. R. Ericson Rebecca McNally | Boston Milton |
| 20 | Clifford W. Smith Mildred J. Hull | Roxbury Braintree |
| 21 | Harry L. Vickers Hazel Lewis | Chelsea Braintree |
| 22 | William P. Powers Priscilla Helm | Braintree Braintree |
| 22 | John Brown Alice H. Leth | Quincy Braintree |
| 23 | William B. Sullivan, Jr. Anne E. Gallivan | Danvers Braintree |
| 24 | Carl Bjorkman Bertha Paetow | Braintree Braintree |
| 26 | Rudolph W. Kalns Daisy M. Kleinberg | Braintree Jamaica Plain |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 26 | Zacharias Norvalls | Allston |
| | Mildred D. Nelson | Braintree |
| 27 | James D. McCarthy | Braintree |
| | Anna E. Klaus | Braintree |
| 27 | Gabriel De Stefanis | Braintree |
| | Isabel Ialenti | Braintree |
| 30 | Leo J. McMaster | Braintree |
| | Helen A. Cuff | Braintree |
| 30 | Frederick H. Hirchert | Lakewood, Ohio |
| | Mary B. Heath | Albany, N. Y. |
| 30 | Raymond D. Jordan | Braintree |
| | Mary G. Morrison | Braintree |

JULY

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|---|-----------------------|--------------|
| 3 | James Laurie | Braintree |
| | Josephine Smith | Braintree |
| 3 | Gordon B. Macrae | Braintree |
| | Helen D. Bens | Quincy |
| 4 | Vincent Carlise | Quincy Adams |
| | Rosa Recupero | Braintree |
| 4 | Benjamin Corvi | Malden |
| | Thersa Giannini | Braintree |
| 4 | John W. Thomas | Braintree |
| | Jeanne S. Hill | Quincy |
| 4 | Timothy J. Linehan | Braintree |
| | Catherine A. McMorrow | Dorchester |
| 5 | Chester L. Boyle | Weymouth |
| | Lucia J. Smith | Braintree |
| 5 | Whitney F. O'Neil | Braintree |
| | Marie J. Favart | Braintree |
| 6 | James E. S. Leslie | Everett |
| | Ella H. Henley | Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|---|------------------------|
| 16 | Thomas F. Hollinshead Mary E. Bertrand | Braintree Quincy |
| 17 | Martin P. Bjorkman Kathleen A. Wain | Braintree Winthrop |
| 28 | Donald W. Dickie Mae O. Smith | Arlington Braintree |
| 30 | Leslie L. Newell Goldie E. (Jones) Bates | Braintree Braintree |

AUGUST

| | | |
|----|---|------------------------------|
| 4 | Harry S. F. Coates Gladys H. Stoddard | Braintree Braintree |
| 5 | Philip B. Jordan Minnie L. (Hedderick) Boshell | Quincy Quincy |
| 6 | Donald McFarlane Minnie M. Freberg | Braintree Quincy |
| 7 | John E. Pyne Ruth E. Hewitt | Braintree S. Boston |
| 11 | James W. Mara Lillian A. Quinn | Braintree Braintree |
| 18 | James H. Richardson Florence H. Ferry | Stamford, Conn. Braintree |
| 18 | Harrison J. Clement Dorothy R. Hadley | Braintree Braintree |
| 20 | John Bridge Ivy H. Vinton | Cambridge Braintree |
| 21 | Herman C. Sherburne Evelyn Murray | Braintree Braintree |
| 23 | Salvatore Mantia Mary Klaus | Braintree Braintree |
| 23 | C. Earle Bestick E. Muriel Auger | Braintree Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|---|----------------------------|
| 28 | Francis B. Hawkes Marion E. (Lowell) Finelli | Braintree Wilmington |
| 29 | Harold J. Levangie Margaret J. Schottler | Braintree Jamaica Plain |
| 29 | Eugene P. Liscomb Gizella E. (Illes) Liscomb | Braintree Braintree |
| 31 | Henry P. M. Alison Alithea E. Parker | Braintree Weymouth |

SEPTEMBER

| | | |
|----|---|----------------------------|
| 1 | William M. Gustin Ethel A. Jocelyn | Braintree Braintree |
| 4 | Matti R. Kaukola Thelma Erickson | Braintree Quincy |
| 4 | Carl A. Jernberg Tresa Thayer | Braintree Braintree |
| 5 | Joseph Canelli Victoria Bagonzi | Braintree Braintree |
| 6 | Walter H. Loud Nina L. Wilde | Holbrook Holbrook |
| 6 | Lloyd S. Orcutt Flossie L. Foster | Holbrook Holbrook |
| 7 | John E. Maloney Mildred Erwin | Braintree Braintree |
| 9 | Walter R. Pierce Catherin Mann | Braintree Whitman |
| 11 | Russell B. Rae Gertrude F. Hale | Jamaica Plain Braintree |
| 11 | Wesley H. De Coste Helen F. Slattery | Braintree Randolph |
| 11 | Aubrey E. Hayden Bessie M. Butler | Braintree Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
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| 14 | Roger Stone Miller Evelyn Mac Calmon | Kansas Ciey Braintree |
| 16 | Francis C. Frazier Vera M. Ward | Braintree Braintree |
| 18 | Russell White Dorothy L. Gould | Holbrook Braintree |
| 18 | Alexander Mac Donald Daisy M. Caldwell | Braintree Weymouth |
| 18 | Walter F. Lewis Ruth V. Harris | Braintree Holbrook |
| 22 | Joseph N. Kaukola Rachel M. Vinton | Braintree Braintree |
| 25 | Elmer A. Anderson Grace M. Haviland | Braintree Braintree |

OCTOBER

| | | |
|----|--|---------------------------|
| 2 | Franklin P. Buhl Bessie H. (Ewell) Taylor | Braintree Braintree |
| 9 | Eugene B. O'Neil Francisania Walsh | Wollaston Braintree |
| 9 | William W. McFeters Mildred M. Spinney | Weymouth Braintree |
| 10 | Charles Phillips Sophia Frazier | Braintree Braintree |
| 11 | Franklin P. Whitten Priscilla D. Mayo | Braintree N. Scituate |
| 12 | Ellis M. Litchfield Ethel L. Smith | Braintree Barnard, Vt. |
| 12 | Fred E. Allen Evelyn H. Brailey | Boston Braintree |
| 17 | Robert J. Reardon Rita M. D'Arigo | Braintree Harwichport |

| Date | Name | Residence |
|------|--|-------------------------|
| 17 | Cecil M. Smith Grace M. (Bicknell) Pratt | Braintree Weymouth |
| 20 | Joseph Cistaio Alice M. McNulty | Arlington Braintree |
| 24 | Freddy B. Pedersen Grace M. Toye | Braintree Braintree |
| 27 | Joseph D. Ripley Gladys J. (Demeritt) Lincoln | Quincy Braintree |
| 28 | Ralph H. Doering Marion N. Clark | Braintree Braintree |
| 30 | Frederick R. Maitland Doris A. Tobey | Cohasset Braintree |
| 30 | Dudley P. Howland Pearl B. Hanson | Braintree Weymouth |
| 30 | William H. Perrault Hazel G. Sprague | Brookville Braintree |

NOVEMBER

| | | |
|----|---|-------------------------|
| 7 | Salvatore W. Napolitano Lucy A. Richardi | Braintree Braintree |
| 13 | Henry W. Boutilier Violet Smith | Quincy Braintree |
| 15 | Carl Gustave Nelson Elizabeth M. Conroy | Braintree Quincy |
| 24 | Ferdinando J. Draper Abbie E. (Batchelder) Mason | Braintree Brockton |
| 25 | Michael A. Rocci Elizabeth Cioppa | Somerville Braintree |
| 28 | John W. A. Erikson Helen R. Leary | Braintree Dorchester |
| 28 | Rocco Richardi Tina Di Fioriri | Braintree Braintree |

| Date | Name | Residence |
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| 29 | Julius P. Jacobi Gertrude Anderson | Braintree Braintree |
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DECEMBER

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|----|--|-------------------------|
| 1 | Richard T. Lindquist Alice I. Steele | Quincy Braintree |
| 8 | Edson H. Peck Viola P. Wynot | Braintree Braintree |
| 6 | Peter F. Sullivan Mary E. Watt | Weymouth Braintree |
| 10 | George Weeks Marion Bonney | Braintree Rockland |
| 18 | Ernest C. Drouet Lillian (Joy) Murray | Somerville Braintree |
| 18 | Robert H. Gillan Mary Collins | Braintree Braintree |
| 21 | Arndt Magnus Koski Emilia (Kourinen) Leppanen | Quincy Quincy |
| 25 | Clarence E. Southworth Elizabeth (Gilbert) Downes | Braintree Braintree |
| 30 | John Joseph Ryan Agnes V. Larkin | Weymouth Braintree |

Whole number of marriages 143.

Residences of males—Braintree 92; other places in Massachusetts 46; Gardner, Maine; Lakewood, Ohio; Stamford, Conn; Kansas City, Mo.; Barnard, Vt., 1 each.

Residences of females—Braintree 96; other places in Massachusetts 46; Albany, N. Y., 1.

Birthplace of males—Braintree 21; other places in Massachusetts 67; British Provinces, 9; Italy, 8; Scotland, 7; Sweden,

Ohio, Vermont, 3 each; Russia, Ireland, Denmark, Maine, California, New York, 2 each; South Africa, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Norway, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Missouri, England, Finland, 1 each.

Birthplace of females—Braintree, 29; other places in Massachusetts 78; British Provinces, 5; Scotland, Italy, Maine, Connecticut, Vermont, 3 each; Sweden, England, Germany, Rhode Island, New York, 2 each; Ireland, New Jersey, Hungary, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, Finland, 1 each.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 62; Weymouth, 21; Quincy, 16; Randolph, 2; Holbrook, 2; other places in Massachusetts, 34; Nashua, N. H., 3; Hampton Falls, N. H., 1; Hartford, Conn., 1; Auburn, Maine, 1.

Death in 1926

JANUARY

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 | Samuel F. Hawes | Nova Scotia | 75--10--13 |
| 4 | Clara J. Wentworth | Rochester N. H. | 88-- 4--11 |
| 4 | George F. Sanborn | Charlestown | 72--11-- 3 |
| 6 | James A. Welsh | Milton | 45--10--22 |
| 7 | Eliza J. Johnson | Chelsea | 81-- 2-- 3 |
| 8 | Frank L. Allen | Boston | 62-- 4-- 8 |
| 8 | Stillborn | | 0-- 0-- 0 |
| 10 | Clark E. Drew | E. Weymouth | 53-- 9--24 |
| 12 | Albion H. Howe | Methuen | 83--11--12 |
| 18 | Ella J. Roby | Nashua, N. H. | 71-- 2--16 |
| 23 | Mary Ryan | Quebec, Can. | 84-- 0-- 0 |
| 24 | Otto Carlstrom | Sweden | 36-- 5--12 |
| 24 | Anna Augusta MacDonald | Braintree | 22 hours |
| 24 | Ellen Mc Kenna | Boston | 5-- 0--19 |
| 29 | Daniel Mc Neil | Nova Scotia | 63--11--13 |
| 31 | Peter Coleman | Ireland | 52-- 1-- 6 |

FEBRUARY

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|------------|
| 2 | Jennie I. Loring | Weymouth | 65-- 7--24 |
| 6 | Amanda L. Ripley | Mass. | 66-- 8--28 |
| 7 | Artemas L. Morrow | P. E. I. | 83-- 2-- 4 |
| 9 | John J. McAuliffe | Quincy | 43-- 8-- 0 |
| 10 | Samuel E. Whitmarsh | Weymouth | 77-- 4-- 0 |
| 10 | Russell A. Michel | Quincy | 3--10-- 6 |
| 12 | Philip J. Krohn | Utica, N. Y. | 53--11-- 0 |
| 13 | Fannie E. Goodhue | N. Andover | 44-- 4--30 |
| 14 | Chester R. Steele | Gloucester | 40-- 9-- 7 |
| 15 | Sarah D. Ford | Marshfield | 81-- 9--28 |
| 16 | Inez D. Merrill | Unknown | 81-- 4--12 |
| 17 | Sarah W. Lane | Sanbornton, | 87-- 0-- 4 |
| 17 | Stillborn | | 0-- 0-- 0 |
| 18 | George R. Allen | Williamspt, Pa. | 52-- 9--17 |

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 21 | Elma Kivi | Norwood | 15— 4—10 |
| 22 | Evelyn Doane | Yarm'th, N. S. | 75— 9—29 |
| 22 | Ada T. Gile | Milford | 69— 5— 5 |
| 23 | Frederick T. Mehaffen | Boston | 39— 0— 0 |
| 25 | Susan A. Lull | Ports'th, N. H. | 69— 0—23 |
| 25 | Elizabeth H. Weston | Nova Scotia | 73— 4—12 |
| 26 | Nellie M. Davenport | New Hampshire | 67— 8—16 |
| 26 | Matilda Streiferd | Sweden | 80— 8— 9 |
| 28 | Ernest Mattson | Bar Harbor, | 20— 5— 8 |

MARCH

| | | | |
|----|--------------------|----------------|----------|
| 2 | Margaret E. Mason | Nova Scotia | 79— 1—29 |
| 6 | Mary Russo | Italy | 42—11— 7 |
| 8 | Donald L. Johnson | Weymouth | 0— 3— 4 |
| 9 | Elizabeth Klay | Switzerland | 78— 6—11 |
| 11 | Wilfred Loffs | Quincy | 17— 8—26 |
| 11 | Alice K. Morrison | Glasgow, Scot. | 65— 8— 8 |
| 23 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 23 | Alice Bennett | Ireland | 75—10—20 |
| 23 | Mary Pellerein | Canada | 64— 6—22 |
| 23 | Mabel L. Marshall | Manch'r, N. H. | 46— 0— 1 |
| 23 | Charles E. Goodnow | Braintree | 79— 9—19 |
| 25 | Daniel W. Ball | Lunenberg, Vt. | 52— 0— 0 |
| 27 | Ralph E. De Forest | Randolph | 31— 0—18 |
| 28 | Mary R. Coburn | Nova Scotia | 87— 7—21 |
| 28 | Agnes M. Mitchell | Scotland | 66— 7— 0 |
| 30 | Lucius Crosby | Bristol, Conn. | 72— 7—24 |
| 30 | Nellie M. Harris | Webster | 50—10—25 |

APRIL

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1 | George W. Reed | Lynn | 88— 0—10 |
| 2 | Elizabeth Stewart | Bath, Maine | 81— 6—24 |
| 2 | Elizabeth Maguinnis | St. John, N. B. | 69— 5— 0 |
| 3 | Thomas Niemi | Finland | 53— 3— 1 |
| 3 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 4 | Joseph A. Thibedeau | Nova Scotia | 29— 7— 4 |
| 6 | Isabel I. Wetherbee | Braintree | 0— 3— 3 |
| 9 | Harvey W. Davis | Bellows Falls | 88— 5—21 |
| 10 | Rosalie Roeder | Germany | 84— 8—10 |
| 14 | James W. Morris | Boston | 43— 3—29 |
| 14 | Andrew Delorey | Tracadie, N. S. | 80— 0— 0 |

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|-------------------------|--------------|----------|
| 14 | Abbie D. (Symonds) Pyne | Marblehead, | 72— 6— 0 |
| 15 | Ella O. Garfield | Brockton | 53— 9—28 |
| 17 | Forrest E. Whalin | Randolph | 67— 6— 8 |
| 27 | Daniel J. Mills | Nova Scotia | 38— 5—28 |
| 27 | Christopher C. Briars | London, Eng. | 48— 1—22 |
| 30 | Thomas Clinton | Nova Scotia | 79— 2— 6 |

MAY

| | | | |
|----|--------------------------|---------------|----------|
| 1 | George Atkinson | Ireland | 85— 0— 7 |
| 2 | Sarah A. Mellen | Weymouth | 66—10—29 |
| 3 | Caroline T. Spear | Rockland, Me. | 81— 0— 0 |
| 4 | Caroline R. Howard | Chelmsford | 84— 3—30 |
| 11 | Nellie Gorman | Scotland | 55—11—27 |
| 14 | Peter A. Briggs | Weymouth | 54— 0— 0 |
| 14 | Adoniram J. Dyer | Braintree | 82— 0—18 |
| 14 | Martin Spera | Italy | 67— 0— 0 |
| 14 | James Conneil | Ireland | 76— 4—23 |
| 18 | ———— Sanders | Braintree | 1 hour |
| 18 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 19 | Emma T. (Allen) Cornish | Barre, Mass. | 74— 3—13 |
| 20 | Edward M. Peshtimaljian | Braintree | 0— 2—12 |
| 21 | Elizabeth A. Fitzpatrick | Roxbury | 76— 4—19 |
| 24 | John M. Knight | Westport, Me. | 78— 0— 0 |
| 25 | Ruth Kay | New Brunswick | 76—11—29 |
| 26 | Iolander Barrasso | Braintree | 12 hours |
| 27 | Eleanor Caravaglio | Quincy | 4— 2— 6 |

JUNE

| | | | |
|----|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 3 | Samuel V. Walters | England | 41— 1—22 |
| 5 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 8 | Sarah F. Lord | Salem | 93— 3—15 |
| 9 | William Benjamine | Braintree | 74— 4— 8 |
| 13 | John J. Doyle | Weston, Mass. | 55—11—29 |
| 12 | ———— Norris | Quincy | 7 hours, 10 minutes |
| 17 | Harry Sawler | Halifax, N. S. | 23— 5— 0 |
| 21 | Elizabeth J. Glover | Weymouth | 71—11— 3 |
| 21 | Eliza S. Paine | Sandwich | 82— 8—21 |
| 29 | Joseph H. Waters | Lowell | 54— 1— 8 |
| 29 | Catherine Flora Moorey | Nova Scotia | 44—10—19 |
| 30 | Joseph Cadora | Italy | 49— 0— 0 |

JULY

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|---------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1 | Priscilla Mc Issac | P. E. I. | 43— 9— 3 |
| 2 | William C. Harding | Longmeadow | 73— 0— 8 |
| 4 | Wilbur F. Norris | Somerville | 11—11—14 |
| 5 | Millard F. Gardner | N. Kingston, | 76— 1—21 |
| 5 | Adelein A. Kopp | Roxbury | 35— 0— 0 |
| 9 | Barbara P. Demarest | Weymouth | 1— 6—13 |
| 13 | Frank Richardi | Braintree | 1— 0—10 |
| 13 | Annie F. Nichols | Taunton | 45 |
| 15 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 15 | Mary Gorman | Weymouth | 0— 4— 1 |
| 16 | Lester P. Our | Weymouth | 46— 8—14 |
| 16 | Judson Vail | St. John, N. H. | 66— 0— 0 |
| 19 | Gustave B. Bates | Boston | 66—11—25 |
| 19 | Joseph Renaldi | Braintree | 4— 1—27 |
| 19 | Andrew Haxton | Scotland | 83— 8—18 |
| 21 | Ina Donaldson | Scotland | 55— 2— 7 |
| 26 | Cyril E. Scott | P. E. I. | 33— 6—24 |

AUGUST

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Obed B. Cottle | New Bedford | 54— 2—11 |
| 3 | Joseph C. Van Doren | New Jersey | 71— 1 — 1 |
| 10 | Margaret Donahue | Stoughton | 27— 0—16 |
| 11 | Lena Spiro | Albania | 32— 4— 1 |
| 15 | Abby C. Howes | Braintree | 88— 8—23 |
| 16 | Jennie C. Buker | Nova Scotia | 60— 3—16 |
| 20 | Annie E. Illingworth | Boston | 53— 7— 1 |
| 21 | Mary H. Bowden | Briffield, Ill. | 54— 2— 8 |
| 26 | Clara T. Rogers | Nova Scotia | 25— 2—23 |
| 26 | Edward O. Pierson | Plymouth | 78— 6—15 |
| 30 | Josephine Picanzo | Boston | 24— 0— 1 |
| 31 | Mary L. Loring | Weymouth | 70—10—26 |
| 31 | Paul Foley | Braintree | 6— 7— 0 |

SEPTEMBER

| | | | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|----------|
| 1 | Mary L. Bates | Quincy | 88— 9—14 |
| 4 | Isabelle W. Ricker | Peekskill, N. Y. | 50— 3—29 |
| 6 | Frank Plumba | Italy | 73— 0— 0 |
| 7 | William Reed | Braintree | 60— 6—27 |
| 7 | Julia W. Jenkins | W. Barnstable | 59—10—18 |

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|---------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 8 | Willard N. Stoddard | Marshfield | 62— 8—11 |
| 13 | Louis I. Porter | Braintree | 79— 0— 0 |
| 14 | Charles F. Jewell | Worcester | 47— 7—26 |
| 16 | Ellen Fernald | St. John, N. B. | 68— 2—18 |
| 17 | Olinda J. Anthony | Nova Scotia | 77— 2—21 |
| 18 | Harrison O. Glover | Quincy | 41—11—14 |
| 19 | Roberta Cheney | Somerville | 40— 7—11 |
| 20 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 23 | Rose Giovanini | Italy | 50— 0—13 |
| 26 | Martha C. Fuller | St. John, N. B. | 60— 1—17 |
| 27 | Henry O. Pratt | Braintree | 87— 3— 5 |
| 27 | Isabella L. Eaton | Worcester | 60— 2—17 |
| 29 | Lucy M. Southworth | Braintree | 81—10— 5 |

OCTOBER

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2 | Fanny Di Mario | Braintree | 12— 1—29 |
| 5 | Ruth W. Cobbs | Braintree | 3 hours |
| 6 | Emily E. Weatherbee | N. Easton | 55— 0— 0 |
| 8 | Thomas W. Ness | Scotland | 61— 7— 0 |
| 8 | Rachel E. Blanchard | Weymouth | 80— 1—14 |
| 9 | Elizabeth J. Starr | Ireland | 75— 0— 0 |
| 9 | ———— Mann | Brockton | 4 hrs. 30 min. |
| 9 | ———— Mann | Brockton | 4 hrs. 30 min. |
| 11 | Edith A. Wyman | Isleboro, Me. | 66— 2—20 |
| 13 | Mary A. Donahue | Braintree | 0— 0— 3 |
| 14 | George W. Young | Weymouth | 62— 0— 0 |
| 17 | John Joyce | Ireland | 38— 5—28 |
| 21 | Franklin Haskell | Marion | 66— 7—24 |
| 21 | Frances U. Eaton | Unknown | 80— 0—23 |
| 23 | Katherine Griffin | Hanover | 21— 2—14 |
| 23 | William Colombe | New York, | 52— 0— 0 |
| 31 | James George | Braintree | 18— 6— 5 |
| 31 | May L. Abbott | Maine | 56— 5— 4 |

NOVEMBER

| | | | |
|---|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| 1 | William Mc Guiness | Ireland | 80— 0— 0 |
| 3 | Michael Lombardo | Italy | 20— 0— 0 |
| 4 | Edward A. Fisher | Braintree | 83— 4—20 |
| 5 | Ethel Vaughn | Everett | 27—10—21 |
| 6 | Chester H. Bradford | Duxbury | 82—11—16 |
| 6 | George O. Stoddard | Newtonville | 43— 6— 7 |

| Date | Name | Birthplace | Age |
|------|-----------------------|----------------|----------|
| 9 | John McGee | Scotland | 79— 0— 0 |
| 9 | Margaret J. Flynn | New York | 52— 0— 0 |
| 9 | Sarah E. Paul | Providence, | 72— 5— 4 |
| 16 | John D. Smith, Jr. | Quincy | 20— 7—24 |
| 16 | James A. Stevens | Braintree | 69— 2— 2 |
| 16 | Edward S. Wood | Winslow, Me. | 90— 9—13 |
| 18 | William D. Soule | Albany, N. Y. | 66— 0— 0 |
| 19 | Phoebe Wilson | Medford | 10— 2—27 |
| 20 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 22 | Nancy Tricomi | Italy | 70— 0— 0 |
| 24 | Agnes M. Ward | St John, N. B. | 68— 9—17 |
| 24 | Almira S. Littlefield | Plymouth | 66— 3—22 |
| 26 | Mary Hannon | Quincy | 28— 1—19 |
| 27 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 27 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 27 | Catherine F. Gogan | Ireland | 63— 6—20 |
| 28 | _____ Bates | Boston | 10 hours |
| 30 | Arthur L. Armstrong | Boston | 67— 1—15 |
| 30 | Annie J. Croucher | Abington | 62— 6— 6 |

DECEMBER

| | | | |
|----|--------------------|----------------|----------|
| 2 | Frank L. Spaulding | Belfast, Maine | 64— 0— 0 |
| 2 | Mary E. Foley | Norwood | 17— 4—20 |
| 2 | Fred M. Buzzell | Elworth, N .H. | 68— 1— 0 |
| 4 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 6 | Stillborn | | 0— 0— 0 |
| 10 | David Kaufman | Russia | 26— 9— 0 |
| 12 | Marvin Greschestin | Unknown | 80— 0— 0 |
| 14 | Lydia D. Goodnow | Scituate | 75—11— 1 |
| 15 | Catherine Shallis | Ireland | 33—10—15 |
| 16 | Walter E. Rogers | Newburyport | 62—10—23 |
| 21 | Thomas Payne | Danielson, | 0— 9— 0 |
| 22 | Ruby Thompson | Braintree | 38— 1—19 |
| 29 | Annie E. Archibald | Cape Breton | 70— 0—15 |
| 30 | Mary E. Barton | Wayland | 50— 2—25 |
| 31 | Elizabeth T. Laing | Scotland | 67— 5—25 |

Whole number of deaths 209

Males: 107; Females: 102.

Birthplace—Braintree, 36; other places in Massachusetts, 81; British Provinces, 27; Ireland, 9; Maine, 8; Scotland, 8; Italy, 7; New Hampshire, 7; New York, 5; Unknown, 3; Sweden, 2; Connecticut, 2; Vermont, 2; England, 2; Rhode Island, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Finland, Germany, New Jersey, Illinois, Albania, Russia, one each.

Birthplace of Fathers—Braintree, 8; other places in Massachusetts, 52; British Provincec, 31; Unknown, 19; Ireland, 17; Maine, 14; Italy, 13; New Hampshire, 7; England, 6; Scotland, 11; Vermont, 4; New York, 5; Sweden, 3; Finland, 3; Connecticut, 2; Russia, 2; Illinois, 2; Virginia, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Germany, Turkey, New Jersey, Albania, Rhode Islan, Holland, Missouri, one each.

Birthplace of Mothers—Braintree, 9; other places in Massachusetts, 55; British Provinces, 31; Ireland, 19; Unknown, 23; Italy, 12; Maine, 11; Vermont, 7; New York, 6; New Hampshire, 4; Scotland, 10; Finland, 3; Rhode Island, 3; Sweden, 2; Connecticut, 2; Russia, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Turkey, Albania, Missouri, one each.

Diseases—Tuberculosis of Lungs (25 of these cases were non-residents) 32; Heart Disease, 31; Aterio Sclerosis, 20; Carcinoma, 15; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 13; Stillborn, 13; Broncho Pneumonia, 10; Lobar Pneumonia, 9; Nephritis, 7; Premature Birth, 7; Accident, 6; Auto Accident, 4; Peritonitis, 3; Scarlet Fever, 2; Urania, 2; Pernicious Anemia, 2; Suicide, 2; Pulmonary Congestion, 2; Cerebral Thrombosis, 2; Chirosis of Liver, 2; Tuberculosis of Lungs and Intestines, Sarcema, Measles, Asthma, Appoplexy, Meningitis, Appendicitis, Pulmonary Embollism, Epilepsy, Volvulus, Hypertrophy, of Prostrate, Erysipelas, Acute Choleciptitis, Diarrhea, Diabetes, Angina Pectoris, Tumor, Paralysis, Influenza, Hemorrhage of Lungs, Postpartum, Eclampsia, Hydro-Nephrons, Carbuncle, Acute Gastric Anthritis, Cancer, Gangrene, Abscess, Cardis Renal Disease, one each.

Ages—Stillborn, 13; under one year, 14; 1 to 2 years, 2; 3 to 4 years, 1; 4 to 5 years, 2; 5 to 10 years, 2; 10 to 15 years, 3; 15 to 20 years, 4; 20 to 25 years, 6; 25 to 30 years 6; 30 to 35 years, 4; 35 to 40 years, 6; 40 to 45 years, 9; 45 to 50 years, 9; 50 to 60 years, 24; 60 to 70 years, 37; 70 to 80 years, 34; 80 to 90 years, 31; over 90 years, 2.

Tax Collector's Report

1924.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1926 | | \$188.95 |
| Collections January 1, 1926 | | |
| to Dec. 31, 1926..... | \$49.38 | |
| Abatements January 1, 1926 | | |
| to Dec. 31, 1926..... | 139.57 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$188.95 | \$188.95 |

1925

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1926 | | \$137,255.19 |
| Collections January 1, 1926 | | |
| to Dec. 31, 1926..... | \$134,093.44 | |
| Abatements January 1, 1926 | | |
| to Dec. 31, 1926 | 1,822.37 | |
| Property taken by Town at | | |
| Tax Sale | 285.12 | |
| Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926 | | |
| (Personal) | 1054.26 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$137,255.19 | \$137,255.19 |

1926

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Commitment of Taxes (Real and Personal) | \$605,991.54 |
| Commitment of Poll Taxes | 7,228.00 |
| Commitment of Moth Taxes | 1,042.25 |
| Supplementary Commitment of Taxes (Real) | 1,050.42 |

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Supplementary Commitment of Taxes (Poll) | 152.00 |
| Collections to Dec. 31, 1926 | \$421,143.99 |
| Abatements to Dec. 31, 1926 | 3,872.51 |
| Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926, (Real Estate and Per- sonal) | 190,357.71 |
| Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926, (Poll) | 90.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$615,464.21 |
| | <hr/> |
| Interest on 1924 taxes . . . \$ | 4.66 |
| Interest on 1925 taxes . . . | 5,275.08 |
| Interest on 1926 taxes . . . | 354.32 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 5,634.06 |

Respectfully submitted,

OTIS B. OAKMAN,

Collector of Taxes.

We have examined the above statements and find that they agree with the Assessors' Commitments of taxes, that the above amounts have been turned in to the Town Treasurer, and are a correct reproduction of the Collector's books. We have also compared the outstanding amounts with the Collector's commitment books and find them correct.

RALPH W. ARNOLD
PAUL MONAGHAN
HERBERT W. CURTIS

Auditors for 1926.

January 12, 1927.

Treasurer's Report

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

In account with Town of Braintree.

DR.

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1926. | |
| General Town Account bal. | \$ 78,694.04 |
| Water Department bal. | 28,982.21 |
| Electric Light Dept. bal. | 2,059.49 |
| School Fund Income bal. | 771.78 |
| Penniman Trust Income bal. | 39.03 |
| C. E. French Trust Income bal. | 86.43 |
| Electric Depreciation Fund | 10,317.64 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$120,950.62 |

Otis B. Oakman, Collector of Taxes.

| | Tax | Interest |
|------|------------|--------------|
| 1924 | \$ 49.38 | \$ 4.66 |
| 1925 | 134,093.44 | 5,275.08 |
| 1926 | 421,143.99 | 354.32 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$560,920.87 |

Loans in anticipation of
Revenue \$240,000.00

| | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| High School Loan | |
| (principal) | \$335,800.00 |
| (premium) | 2,048.38 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$337,848.38 |

Penniman School Addition

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Loan | |
| (principal) | \$96,000.00 |
| (premium) | 412.80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 96,412.80 |

Water Department Extension Loan

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| (principal) | \$50,000.00 |
| (premium) | 215.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 50,215.00 |

All other sources, including dividends on Town funds, given in detail in Accountant's report.

\$469,725.70

\$1,876,073.37

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| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Paid by orders of Selectmen | \$1,574,066.41 |
| Cash book balance | |
| Dec. 31, 1926 | 302,006.96 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,876,073.37 |

The above cash book balance is made up as follows:

| | |
|---|------------|
| General Town Account bal. (including balance of High School and Penniman School loans) | 249,320.48 |
| Water Department bal. (including balance of extension Loan) | 23,578.35 |

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Electric Light Department | |
| balance | 5,815.00 |
| School Fund Income bal. | 1,039.11 |
| C. E. French Trust Income | |
| balance | 70.35 |
| Penniman Trust Income bal. | 29.66 |
| Electric Depreciation Fund | 22,154.01 |
| | ----- |
| | 302,006.65 |

Paid During the Year on Town Notes and Bonds:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Town Hall bonds | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Hollis School bonds | 3,000.00 |
| High School Site bonds | 1,000.00 |
| Temporary Loans | 240,000.00 |
| E. Braintree School bonds | 4,000.00 |
| Noah Torrey School Addition Loan | 11,500.00 |
| Electric Light Construction Loan | 10,000.00 |
| Tuberculosis Hospital bonds | 1,000.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$272,500.00 |

Interest Paid During the Year on Notes and Bonds

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Temporary loans (discounted) average | |
| rate 3.63 1-3 per cent | \$ 5,397.03 |
| High School Site | 180.00 |
| Town Hall | 520.00 |
| Hollis School | 660.00 |
| Tuberculosis Hospital | 450.00 |
| Thomas A. Watson School | 2,720.00 |
| Electric Light Loan | 1,400.00 |
| Noah Torrey School Addition | 6,438.75 |
| | ----- |
| | \$ 17,765.78 |

Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| State Tax | \$ 30,240.00 |
| Charles River Basin Loan Fund | |
| Interest | 602.92 |
| Maintenance | 1,033.50 |
| Serial Bonds | 52.01 |
| Metropolitan Parks Sinking Fund | 349.67 |
| Interest | 1,773.22 |
| Cost of Maintenance | 5,814.39 |
| Serial Bonds | 66.32 |
| Sinking Fund, Series 2 | 83.19 |
| Interest | 696.91 |
| Cost of Maintenance | 3,003.47 |
| Serial Bonds | 426.72 |
| Metropolitan Parks Loan Fund, Nan- | |
| tasket Maintenance | 427.26 |
| Wellington Bridge, maintenance | 39.06 |
| Repairs, State Highways | 6,141.00 |
| Municipal Lighting Plant | 42.56 |
| Metropolitan Planning Division | 266.04 |
| Western Ave. and Arsenal St. Bridge | 150.26 |
| Western Ave. Bridge | 241.65 |
| Massachusetts Ave. Bridge | 2,098.35 |
| 1922 Trust Co. Tax | 8.85 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 53,557.35 |

THE NATHANIEL H. HUNT TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer

Principal:

| | |
|--|------------|
| One Boston Elevated R. R. bond, \$1,000 4% | \$1,000.00 |
| Three B. & M. R. R. bonds, Series T-5% | 3,000.00 |
| One New England R. R. bond, \$1,000, 4% | 1,000.00 |

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Two C. B. & Q. R. R. bonds, 4% | 2,000.00 |
| Two N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. bonds, \$1,000 4% | 2,000.00 |
| Two N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. bonds, \$1,000 4% | 2,000.00 |
| Deposited in Braintree Savings Bank | 6,526.05 |
| Deposited in Weymouth Savings Bank | 4,000.00 |
| Deposited in Quincy Savings Bank | 1,750.94 |
| 5 Matured shares of Braintree Co-operative Bank Certificate No. 148 | 1,000.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$24,276.99 |

Dr.

Cr.

Income, 1926 \$1,097.38
Paid Trustees Thayer Public
Library \$1,097.38

Examined and approved. The securities listed, amounting to \$24,276.99 are in the custody of the Treasurer and have been examined by us.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

THE CHARLES EDWARD FRENCH TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Principal:

Braintree Savings Bank, Book No. 10,092 \$2,419.50

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----|
| Balance Jaunary 1, 1926 . . . | \$86.43 | |
| Coupons | 47.83 | |

| | |
|---|----------|
| Interest on deposit | 35.09 |
| Paid Higgins, Magnuson & Co. | \$99.00 |
| Balance in Braintree Savings Bank, December 31, 1926 | 70.35 |
| | ----- |
| | \$169.35 |
| | \$169.35 |

Examined and approved, balance in Braintree Savings Bank of \$70.35 and principal as listed found in the custody of Treasurer.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

THE ANN MARIA PENNIMAN TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Income Account:

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|---------|---------|
| Balance in bank, Jan. 1926 | \$39.03 | |
| Interest on deposit | 12.13 | |
| Paid F. A. Chapman and Alida N. Stevens. com- mittee | | \$21.50 |
| Balance in bank | | 29.66 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| | \$51.16 | \$51.16 |

Amount of fund, \$500.00 and balance \$29.66 on deposit in Braintree Savings Bank. Receipt for expenditures in hands of Treasurer.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
 PAUL MONAGHAN,
 HERBERT W. CURTIS,
 Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1926 . . . | \$ 2,059.49 | |
| Street Lights | 9,225.00 | |
| F. B. Lawrence, Manager . . . | 224,108.06 | |
| Interest on deposit | 156.35 | |
| Paid by orders (including depreciation fund, \$11, 613.55) | | \$229,733.60 |
| Balance December 31, 1926 | | 5,815.00 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$235,548.60 | \$235,548.60 |

Examined and approved with balances as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| State Street Trust | \$ 3,196.32 |
| Braintree National Bank | 2,018.68 |
| F. B. Lawrence, Cash | 600.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 5,815.00 |

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
 PAUL MONAGHAN,
 HERBERT W. CURTIS,
 Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

The account of the Treasurer of the Water Department will be found in the Water Department report.

ELECTRIC DEPRECIATION FUND

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1926 . . . | \$ 10,317.64 | |
| Interest on deposit | 222.82 | |
| Town Appropriation | | |
| (from Electric Light De- partment) | 11,613.55 | |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1926 | \$ 22,154.01 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$ 22,154.01 | \$ 22,154.01 |

Examined and approved. Amount of fund \$22,154.01, found on deposit in National Shawmut Bank.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Principal Account:

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Real Estate (Valued) | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Quincy Savings Bank | 1,022.50 |
| Weymouth Savings Bank | 1,000.00 |
| Randolph Savings Bank | 600.00 |
| Braintree Savings Bank | 2,270.65 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 8,893.15 |

Income Account:

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1926 . . . \$ | 771.78 | |
| Savings Bank Interest | 255.58 | |
| Liberty Bond Coupons | 6.75 | |
| Rent | 248.00 | |
| Scholarships | | \$ 243.00 |
| Balance on hand, Income account deposited in Braintree Savings Bank | | 1,039.11 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$ 1,282.11 | \$ 1,282.11 |

Examined and approved. Amounts of both Principal and Income funds are as stated and on deposit as given.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

Wood to the amount of \$6.00 has been sold and the proceeds added to the principal account. The Liberty bond was sold at a premium of \$12 making a total of \$18 added to the principal during the year.

FUNDED DEBT OF TOWN

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Hollis School Bonds, \$500 each, 4% maturing \$2,000.00 yearly, 1927 - 1932 inclusive | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Town Hall Bonds, \$1,000 each, 4% maturing \$2,000.00 yearly, 1927-1932 inclusive | 12,000.00 |

| | |
|---|--------------|
| ~Tuberculosis Hospital Bonds, dated December 1, 1919, 4½% maturing \$1,000 1927-1935 inclusive | 9,000.00 |
| ~High School Site Bonds, dated December 1, 1919, 4½%, maturing \$1,000, 1927-1929 inclusive | 3,000.00 |
| ~Thomas A. Watson School House Loan, dated September 1, 1922, maturing \$4,000, 1927-1942, inclusive | 64,000.00 |
| ~Electric Light Construction Loan, dated July 1, 1924, maturing \$10,000 1927-1929, inclusive | 30,000.00 |
| ~Torrey School Addition Loan, dated October 1, 1925, maturing \$10,000.00, 1927-1940, inclusive | 140,000.00 |
| ~High School Loan (Act of 1920) dated July 15, 1926 and maturing \$20,000.00, 1927-1941, inclusive | 300,000.00 |
| ~High School Loan of 1926, dated July 15, 1926 and maturing \$3,800 in 1927 and \$3,000 1928-1931 and \$2,000 1932-1941 inclusive | 35,800.00 |
| Penniman School Addition loan dated December 1, 1926 and payable \$7,000 1927-1932 and \$6,000.00 1933-1941 inclusive | 96,000.00 |
| Water Main and Standpipe loan dated Dec. 1, 1926 and payable \$5,000.00 1927-1936, inclusive | 50,000.00 |
| | \$754,800.00 |

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF DENTAL CLINIC, 1926

November 2, 1926.

Clinic opened at Braintree Friendly Aid Rooms.
 Pupils examined by School Nurse and sent to Clinic
 for treatment.

Report of Dental Clinic from January 1st to December 31st, 1926.

| | |
|--|-----|
| Children treated in January | 194 |
| Cleanings | 58 |
| Fillings | 109 |
| Extractions | 7 |
| | — |
| | 74 |
| Children treated in February | 135 |
| Cleanings | 88 |
| Fillings | 19 |
| Abscess opened | 2 |
| Examinations | 1 |
| | — |
| | 110 |
| Children treated in March | 197 |
| Cleanings | 86 |
| Fillings | 76 |
| Extractions | 3 |
| Abscess opened | 4 |
| | — |
| | 169 |
| Children treated in April | 110 |
| Cleanings | 53 |
| Fillings | 44 |
| Extractions | 3 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Extractions | 4 |
| | — |
| | 104 |
| Children treated in May | 141 |
| Cleanings | 62 |
| Fillings | 38 |
| Extractions | 1 |
| | — |
| | 101 |
| Children treated in November | 201 |
| Cleanings | 104 |
| Fillings | 76 |
| Abscess opened | 2 |
| | — |
| | 182 |
| Children treated in December | 204 |
| Cleanings | 91 |
| Fillings | 88 |
| Examinations | 3 |
| | — |
| | 182 |

Total number of children treated—1182.

Total number of operations—1022.

Respectfully,

ELLA V. BERNIER, R. N.

REPORT OF TUBERCULOSIS WORK, 1926

117 visits have been made in connection with the follow-up work in Tuberculosis.

All new cases reported through the Board of Health have been investigated, histories taken and reports sent into the State Board of Health.

An increase of 10 has been noted in the past year.

Respectfully,

ELLA V. BERNIER, R. N.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department for the year 1926.

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----|
| Whole number of arrests | | | | | 232 |
| Residents | | | | | 126 |
| Non-Residents | | | | | 106 |
| Male | | | | | 219 |
| Female | | | | | 13 |

Offences for which arrests were made:

| | Res. | Non-Res. | Male | Female | Total |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------|--------|-------|
| Assault and Battery | 21 | | 17 | 4 | 21 |
| Attempt to Rape | | 2 | 2 | | 2 |
| Bastardy | 2 | | 2 | | 2 |
| Breaking and Entering | 2 | 3 | 5 | | 5 |
| Desertion.. | 7 | 2 | 9 | | 9 |
| Driving Auto Under Influence | | | | | |
| of Liquor | 1 | 11 | 12 | | 12 |
| Disturbing the Peace | 2 | | 2 | | 2 |
| Disorderly Conduct | 1 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Drunkeness | 37 | 32 | 69 | | 69 |
| False Fire Alarms | 3 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Forgery | 3 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Gambling | | 4 | 4 | | 4 |
| Idle and Disorderly | 0 | 3 | 3 | | 3 |
| Insane | | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Keeping House of Ill-fame.. | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Larceny | 8 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 14 |
| Manslaughter | 0 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Neglect of Family | 7 | 2 | 9 | | 9 |
| Stubborn Child | 1 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Suspicious Person | 0 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Threat to Assault | 1 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Tramp | 0 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Trespass | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| Violation of Auto Laws | 11 | 36 | 47 | | 47 |
| Violation of Liquor Laws.. | 17 | | 13 | 5 | 18 |
| Violation of Probation Laws | 1 | | 1 | | 1 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 126 | 106 | 219 | 13 | 232 |

Number of trips (including hospital and accident cases) when the use of ambulance was necessary.. 65

Complaint and Auto Accidents

| | |
|-----------------|------|
| January | 67 |
| February | 46 |
| March | 81 |
| April | 103 |
| May | 108 |
| June | 104 |
| July | 109 |
| August | 117 |
| September | 98 |
| October | 80 |
| November | 79 |
| December | 65 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 1057 |

I recommend that the ten patrolmen receive increase in salary of two hundred dollars each, also, that a gas tank and oil barrel be installed in the police garage at the rear of the Town Hall.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Chief.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

27 Sampson Place,

Braintree, Mass., Dec. 20, 1926.

To the honorable board of Selectmen,
of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: In making the annual inspection of animals for the year 1926, I visited 106 places where animals are kept and I found 365 cows 29 young cattle, 2 bulls, 865 swine, 10 goats. I found no oxen nor sheep. I also inspected hens and found them in very good condition. There seems to be a general improvement in the condition in which these animals are kept today, over the past.

There has been no cases of rabies among dogs reported to me this year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHUS SAMPSON,

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF MEATS, PROVISIONS AND SLAUGHTERING

Braintree, December 31, 1926.

To the Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: I have the honor of submitting to you my annual report of inspection of meats, provisions and slaughtering for the year ending December 31, 1926.

I have inspected during the past year 197 animal carcasses and from that number I have stamped for approval 196 as food, and condemned as unfit for consumption 1 hog, 7 livers.

The usual inspection of markets and meats and fish pedlers has been made.

I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank the members of the Board of Health for their hearty co-operation during my term of office, from which office I resigned the first of January.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. HEANEY.

Inspector of Meats, Provisions and Slaughtering.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Water Department
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE
FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



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ORGANIZATION

WILLIAM C. HARRISON, Chairman.

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HARRISON W. MACOMBER, Secretary and
Purchasing Agent

JOHN W. MULCAHY, Superintendent

FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE, Chief Engineer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of Water Commissioners submit here-with the Annual Report of the Water Department of the year ending December 31, 1926.

Work on 8 inch main on West Street authorized by Vote on Article 79 in Annual Town Meeting of 1924, and Article 82 in Annual Town Meeting of 1925, has been completed.

Work on Standpipe and Main pipe as authorized by Vote on Article 95 in Annual Town Meeting of 1926, and as amended by Vote of Special Town Meeting held July 26 1926. The Main pipe line is extended to within 200 feet of the Standpipe and this is mostly ledge work. The Standpipe with the exception of painting will be finished by the time the Voters read this report. Expenditures under this article will be within the appropriation.

Last Annual Report we stated that preparations were being made to install a new pumping unit at Great Pond Station. Electric driven Centrifugal pump of one and one half million gallons capacity has been installed and will be ready for operation when this report goes to press. Total cost not to exceed \$6,185.00.

Following are the reports of the Secretary, Collector, Registrar and Superintendent.

MAINTENANCE

| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| G. E. Warren | .50 |
| Norfolk County Registry of Deeds | .54 |
| Markrow Ribbon & Carbon | 2.01 |
| William Lillie | 2.50 |
| L. Grossman & Sons | 3.00 |

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Braintree Service Express | 3.00 |
| M. S. Butler | 5.00 |
| Allen Bros. Corp. | 5.54 |
| Chas. N. Smart | 6.00 |
| New England Water Works Ass. | 6.00 |
| Karderx Rand Sales Corp. | 6.25 |
| Wm. Cuff Est. | 10.50 |
| C. S. Hannaford | 36.01 |
| H. W. Macomber | 30.82 |
| H. W. Bailey Co. | 93.62 |
| C. W. Bailey, Supt. P. O. | 168.04 |
| Pratt & Pratt | 178.75 |
| L. E. Muran | 171.18 |
| New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. | 348.12 |
| William C. Harrison | 100.00 |
| George A. Walker | 100.00 |
| Charles B. Cummings | 100.00 |
| Town of Randolph | 1,692.76 |
| H. W. Macomber | 1,600.00 |
| Pay Roll | 1,266.17 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$5,936.31 |

GREAT POND

| | |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Braintree Auto Express | 1.25 |
| I. P. Weston | 1.97 |
| W. A. Torrey | 3.75 |
| Americian Railway Express | 4.63 |
| Johns Mansville Inc | 5.03 |
| Pittsburg Plate Glass | 5.85 |
| D. A. Chandler | 8.30 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Winer's Hardware | 8.75 |
| The Q. P. Signal Co. | 8.77 |
| G. E. Warren Co. | 9.60 |
| Pierce Perry Co. | 17.50 |
| The Garlock Packing Co. | 20.10 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co. | 20.25 |
| Tropical Paint & Oil Co. | 19.41 |
| Ashton Valve Co. | 32.84 |
| Hayes Pump Machinery Co. | 35.89 |
| Donaldson Iron Co. | 43.68 |
| Pinel Tool Co. | 54.60 |
| Haskell's Garage | 60.50 |
| A. W. Chesterton Co. | 66.03 |
| N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. | 78.00 |
| A. P. Smith Co. | 140.00 |
| Braintree Electric Light Dept. ... | 158.13 |
| Builders Iron Foundry Co. | 177.81 |
| A. A. Drollett | 209.90 |
| Woodsum Coal Co. | 223.85 |
| Commonwealth Oil Co. | 273.39 |
| Curran & Barton | 275.50 |
| C. H. Sprague & Sons | 1,892.14 |
| Eagle Oil Co. | 66.50 |
| F. A. Mazzur Co. | 5,087.25 |
| Pay Roll | 5,749.35 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$14,760.52 |

LITTLE POND

| | |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Perkins Express | .50 |
| R. W. Haskell | .85 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| G. E. Warren | 1.00 |
| Rhines Lumber Co. | 1.52 |
| Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co. | 4.44 |
| Crawford Machine Co. | 5.00 |
| A. W. Chesterton | 5.60 |
| Braintree Electric Light Dept. . | 13.83 |
| L. Grossman & Sons | 26.00 |
| Woodsum Coal Co. | 176.05 |
| Pay Roll | 433.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$667.79 |

SERVICE MAINTENANCE

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Braintree Auto Express | .35 |
| Perkins Express | 1.65 |
| D. A. Chandler | 2.46 |
| Tropical Paint & Oil Co. | 3.60 |
| Braman Dow Co. | 2.47 |
| Woodsum Coal Co. | 2.35 |
| R. E. Whitman | 28.00 |
| G. E. Warren | 30.94 |
| Mass. Amiesite Co. | 105.00 |
| Pay Roll | 3,364.58 |
| | ----- |
| | \$3,541.40 |

SERVICE WORK OUTSIDE STREET

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Haskells Garage | 1.80 |
| D. A. Chandler | .72 |
| Woodsum Coal Co. | 1.25 |
| I. P. Weston | 1.50 |
| J. E. Ludden | 2.76 |
| W. B. Skinner | 3.77 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| American Railway Express | 8.01 |
| W. S. Darley & Co. | 11.40 |
| N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. | 14.20 |
| Pinel Tool Co. | 16.88 |
| G. E. Warren | 20.85 |
| Red Hed Mfg. Co. | 39.12 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co. | 50.65 |
| A. E. Roberts | 46.44 |
| William Lillie | 65.02 |
| G. A. Caldwell Co. | 65.80 |
| Donaldson Iron Co. | 72.00 |
| Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co. | 953.86 |
| A. C. Trojano | 989.22 |
| Mueller Co., Inc. | 1,579.85 |
| Chadwick Boston Lead Co. | 4,465.83 |
| Pay Roll | 5,511.48 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$13,919.41 |

SERVICE WORK IN STREET

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Braintree Auto Express | 1.85 |
| E. L. LeBarron Foundry Co. | 1.87 |
| Winer's Hardware Stores | 2.03 |
| American Railway Express | 2.84 |
| J. E. Ludden | 4.10 |
| G. E. Warren | 4.83 |
| Pierce Perry Co. | 6.99 |
| Water Works Equipment | 7.75 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 9.50 |
| Wm. S. Darley Co. | 10.00 |
| N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. | 10.30 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| William Lillie | 17.78 |
| Red. Hed Mfg. Co. | 25.83 |
| G. A. Caldwell Co. | 18.33 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co. | 27.81 |
| Rennselear Valve Co. | 30.50 |
| Pinel Tool Co. | 34.02 |
| Donaldson Iron Co. | 34.97 |
| Mass. Ameisite Co. | 54.19 |
| Sumner & Dunbar | 57.35 |
| Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co. | 319.88 |
| Mueller Co., Inc. | 526.71 |
| A. C. Trojano | 545.09 |
| Chadwick Boston Lead Co. | 1,656.87 |
| Pay Roll | 1,895.51 |
| | \$5,306.90 |

METERS

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Braintree Auto Express | .35 |
| American Railway Express | .84 |
| Pratt & Pratt | 8.75 |
| National Meter Co. | 3,796.92 |
| | \$3,806.86 |

METER REPAIRS

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| National Meter Co. | 269.21 |
| Pay Roll | 541.00 |
| | \$810.21 |

READING, TESTING AND INSPECTING METERS

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| G. E. Warren | 2.15 |
| Haskells Garage | 11.91 |
| Pay Roll | 1,401.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$1,415.06 |

HYDRANTS

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Perkins Express | .70 |
| H. W. Bailey | 2.50 |
| Arthur H. Blanchard | 6.45 |
| American Railway Express | 9.86 |
| The Tropical Paint & Oil Co. . . | 25.92 |
| Builders Iron Foundry | 34.42 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co. | 43.05 |
| Rennselear Valve Co. | 1,388.57 |
| Pay Roll | 732.39 |
| | ----- |
| | \$2,243.86 |

HYDRANT REPAIRS

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Pinel Tool Co. | 1.50 |
| J. F. Gallivan | 17.50 |
| A. W. Chesterton | 33.30 |
| Coffin Valve Co. | 340.00 |
| Pay Roll | 118.20 |
| | ----- |
| | \$510.50 |

**TESTING, FLUSHING AND INSPECTING
HYDRANTS**

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Pay Roll | 172.11 |
|--------------------|--------|

\$172.11

TOOLS

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| D. A. Chandler | 2.43 |
| Waldo Bros. & Bond Co. | 3.00 |
| Geo. A. Caldwell Co. | 8.53 |
| Pinel Tool Co. | 37.75 |
| Hauck Mfg. Co. | 105.00 |

\$156.71

MAIN PIPE EXTENSIONS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Braintree Service Express | 3.00 |
| Pratt & Pratt | 3.75 |
| Pierce Perry Co. | 3.91 |
| Braintree Auto Express | 4.00 |
| Pinel Tool Co. | 4.00 |
| Vulcan Tool Co. | 5.25 |
| Fay S. Call | 6.00 |
| L. Grossman & Sons | 12.60 |
| E. L. LeBarron Foundry | 14.55 |
| Arthur C. Harvey Co. | 14.99 |
| The Tropical Paint & Oil Co. . . . | 17.28 |
| G. E. Warren | 36.92 |
| American Railway Express | 62.93 |
| Geo. A. Caldwell Co. | 64.00 |
| Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co. . . . | 77.32 |
| Hingham Water Co. | 56.19 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Sumner & Dunbar | 88.20 |
| Rhines Lumber Co. | 56.83 |
| Mueller Co., Inc. | 89.70 |
| United Cork Companies | 106.10 |
| Conard & Buzby | 124.09 |
| Waldo Bros. & Bond Co. | 140.80 |
| A. A. Drollett | 152.74 |
| The A. P. Smith Co. | 360.51 |
| United States Cast Iron Pipe ... | 1,032.95 |
| Builders Iron Foundry Co. | 1,678.28 |
| Rennselear Valve Co. | 2,506.07 |
| Chadwick Boston Lead Co. | 3,025.71 |
| N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. | 3,259.89 |
| A. C. Trojano | 21,808.13 |
| Donaldson Iron Co. | 28,113.22 |
| Pay Roll | 1,439.80 |

\$64,369.71

MAIN PIPE REPAIRS

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| G. E. Warren | 4.20 |
| Weymouth Water Dept. | 20.43 |

\$24.63

WATER PROTECTION

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. | 87 |
| Otis B. Oakman, Collector | 10.25 |
| Fields Point Mfg. Co. | 40.50 |
| John P. Shay | 159.00 |
| Wallace & Tiernan | 774.30 |

\$984.92

GARAGE

| | |
|------------------------|---------------|
| D. A. Chandler | 9.34 |
| H. W. Borden | 10.46 |
| Grossman Coal Co. | 97.00 |
| Pay Roll | <u>433.00</u> |
| | \$549.80 |

INSURANCE

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| James F. Burke | 12.50 |
| Employees Liab. Ass. Corp. | 142.16 |
| George E. Sampson | <u>387.46</u> |
| | \$542.12 |

SUPERINTENDENT

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| John W. Mulcahy | 2,100.00 |
| | \$2,100.00 |

AUTOMOBILES

| | |
|---|---------------|
| SUPERINTENDENT'S CAR (Dodge Coupe) | |
| South Braintree Tire & Vul. Co. | 3.60 |
| H. T. West Co. | 6.05 |
| Batchelder Motor Co. | 7.00 |
| Register of Motor Vehicles | 12.00 |
| Tide Water Oil Sailes Corp. .. | 11.36 |
| Standard Oil Co. | 175.46 |
| Haskell's Garage | <u>474.75</u> |
| | \$690.22 |

METER CAR (Ford Truck)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Register of Motor Vehicles | 4.00 |
| H. T. West Co. | 6.05 |
| Tide Water Oil Sales Corp. | 11.30 |
| Braintree Tire & Battery Service | 57.20 |
| Haskell's Garage | 130.41 |
| Standard Oil Co. | 144.00 |
| Braintree Motor Co. | 342.53 |
| | ----- |
| | \$695.49 |

DODGE TRUCK

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Register of Motor Vehicles | 4.00 |
| H. T. West Co. | 6.05 |
| So. Braintree Tire & Vul. Co. . . | 6.10 |
| Tide Water Oil Sales Corp. | 11.30 |
| Braintree Tire & Battery Service | 32.60 |
| Standard Oil Co. | 132.00 |
| Haskell's Garage | 189.47 |
| | ----- |
| | \$381.52 |

REO TRUCK

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| H. W. Macomber | .38 |
| Norbet A. Fredette | .85 |
| Quincy Reo Co. | .75 |
| Braintree Tire & Battery Service | .75 |
| Register of Motor Vehicles | 2.00 |
| So. Braintree Tire & Vul. Co. . . | 5.60 |
| Doane's Garage | 5.85 |
| H. T. West Co. | 6.05 |
| Tide Water Oil Sales Corp. | 11.30 |

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| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Community Garage | 22.25 |
| S. Scammell & Sons | 25.60 |
| Linscott Motor Co. | 33.39 |
| Haskell's Garage | 140.50 |
| Standard Oil Co. | 148.50 |
| A. C. Trojano | 72.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$475.77 |

NEW STANDPIPE

Pittsburgh Des Moines Steel Co. 12,495.00

\$12,495.00

STANDPIPE FOUNDATION

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Weymouth Water Dept. | 57.89 |
| Rhines Lumber Co. | 69.24 |
| Woodsum Coal Co. | 341.25 |
| Edward T. Dwyer | 426.00 |
| A. C. Trojano | 1,244.16 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,138.54 |

ENGINEERING

Symonds & Stevens

1,084.48

\$1,084.48

RECAPITULATION

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Maintenance | 5,936.31 |
| Great Pond | 14,760.52 |
| Little Pond | 667.79 |
| Service Maintenance | 3,541.40 |
| Service Work Outside Street | 13,919.41 |
| Service Work in Street | 5,306.90 |
| Meters | 3,806.86 |
| Meter Repairs | 810.21 |
| Reading, Inspecting & Testing Meters | 1,415.06 |
| Hydrants | 2,243.86 |
| Hydrant Repairs | 510.50 |
| Testing and Flushing Hydrants | 172.11 |
| Tools | 156.71 |
| Main Pipe Extensions | 64,369.71 |
| Main Pipe Repairs | 24.63 |
| Water Protection | 984.92 |
| Garage | 549.80 |
| Insurance | 542.12 |
| Superintendent | 2,100.00 |
| New Standpipe | 12,495.00 |
| Standpipe Foundation | 2,138.54 |
| Symonds & Stevens, Engineers .. | 1,084.48 |
| Automobiles | 2,243.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$139,779.84 |

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Water Rates charged 1926 .. | \$67,931.79 |
| Pipes, Labor etc. | 14,963.15 |
| Water Rates Outstanding | |
| Jan. 1, 1926 | 7,129.04 |
| Pipes, Labor etc., Outstanding Jan. 1, 1926 | 3,183.45 |

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Town of Braintree (Hydrants) | 500.00 |
| Mrs. E. A. Hollingsworth .. | 78.00 |
| Salvadore Cordaro (Rent of Farm) | 500.00 |
| Frank C. Walsh (Rent) ... | 50.00 |
| Sam Beer | 5.00 |
| Telephone Acct., etc. | 9.78 |
| Collections | \$82,548.57 |
| Water Rates Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926 | 7,703.42 |
| Pipes, Labor etc., Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926 | 3,746.55 |
| Abatements | 351.67 |
| | ----- |
| | \$94,350.21 |
| | \$94,350.21 |

SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Balance, Dec. 31, 1925 | 28,982.21 |
| Otis B. Oakman, Treas. (including Town of Braintree Hydrants) | 82,548.57 |
| Braintree National Bank, interest on open account .. | 50.90 |
| First National Bank, interest on open account | 99.59 |
| Braintree National Bank, interest on Special Deposit | 806.09 |
| First National Bank, interest on Special Deposit | 67.61 |
| National Mt. Wollaston Bank, interest on Special Deposit | 242.29 |
| Chadwick-Boston Lead Co. (Reels returned) | 204.00 |

| | |
|--|--------------|
| E. H. Rollins & Sons, Water main and Standpipe Bonds | 50,000.00 |
| Discounts for Cash | 356.93 |
| Paid sundry bills, as per vouchers | \$139,779.84 |
| Balance, Dec. 31, 1926 | 23,578.35 |
| | |
| | \$163,358.19 |
| | \$163,358.19 |

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1926 . . \$ | 600.00 |
| Collected, 1926 | 82,548.57 |
| Paid Treasurer, on his receipts | \$ 82,548.57 |
| | |
| | \$ 83,148.57 |
| | \$ 83,148.57 |

Examined and approved with vouchers for expenditures and balance on hand as outlined above.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,

PAUL MONAGHAN,

HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors.

January 19, 1927.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer,

In account with Board of Water Commissioners:

| | |
|-----|----|
| Dr. | Cr |
|-----|----|

Balance from 1925 \$ 28,982.21

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Received from H. W. Macomber, Collectors | 82,048.57 |
| Received from Town of Braintree (Hydrants) | 500.00 |
| Received interest on deposits Water Main & Standpipe Loan | 1,266.48 |
| Paid orders of Commissioners | 50,000.00 |
| Balance, December 31, 1926 | \$139,218.91 |
| | 23,578.35 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$162,797.26 |
| | \$162,797.26 |

Examined and approved with balance on hand as follows:

On Deposit:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| First National Bank | \$ 20,993.94 |
| Brainrtee National Bank | 1,984.41 |
| Cash in hands of Secretary | 600.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 23,578.35 |

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors.

January 5, 1927

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen:

Two hundred and fifty-nine new services were laid during the year.

Kind of pipe and number of feet laid:

| | Feet | In. |
|--|-----------|-----|
| Five-eighths-inch lead pipe | 10155 | |
| Three-fourths-inch lead pipe..... | 163 | |
| Three-fourths-inch iron pipe | 654 | |
| One-inch iron pipe | 1932 | |
| One-and one-fourth-inch iron pipe..... | 163 | |
| Two-inch iron pipe | 52 | |
| Two-inch brass pipe | 140 | |
| Total | 13259 | |

Total service pipe in System December 31, 1926:

42 miles, 437 feet.

Seventy-Five Services were renewed.

| | | |
|---|----------|----|
| Five-eighths-inch lead pipe | 2479 | 7 |
| Three-fourths-inch lead pipe | 58 | 6 |
| One-inch iron pipe | 904 | |
| Two-inch iron pipe | 279 | |
| Total | 3720 | 13 |
| Fourteen-inch cast iron pipe on Faxon St. | 1020 | |
| Twelve-inch cast iron pipe on Commercial Street - Union Street | 7284 | |
| Twelve-inch cast iron pipe at Pumping Station | 60 | |
| Ten-inch cast iron pipe at Pumping Station | 15 | |
| Eight-inch cast iron pipe on West Street .. | 7121 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Wilkins Street .. | 246 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Mashal Street .. | 404 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Bellevue Ave. .. | 241 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Buckminster Rd. | 663 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Oakland Road .. | 197 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Cotton Ave. | 100 | |
| Six-inch cast iron pipe on Pearl Street .. | 185 | |
| 2036 | | |

Four-inch cast iron pipe on Crawford Road

| | |
|--|-------------|
| (Upper) | 278 |
| Four-inch cast iron pipe on Crawford Road | |
| (Lower) | 270 |
| Four-inch cast iron pipe on View Ave. | 585 |
| Four-inch cast iron pipe on Bay Road | 233 |
| Four-inch cast iron pipe on Sheppard Ave. | 194 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1560 |

Two-inch Galvanized iron pipe on Wilmarth Road

| |
|------------|
| 124 |
| 213 |
| 162 |
| 65 |
| |
| 564 |

One-and one-half-inch iron pipe on Azel Road

| |
|------------|
| 136 |
| 212 |
| |
| 348 |

| |
|------------|
| 270 |
| 88 |
| 140 |
| 65 |
| 75 |
| |
| 638 |

DISTRIBUTION MAINS IN OPERATION**December 31, 1926.**

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Sixteen-inch Cast iron pipe | 741 |
| Fourteen-inch Cast iron pipe | 1151 |
| Twelve-inch Cast iron pipe | 26079 |
| Ten-inch Cast iron pipe | 10517 |
| Eight-inch Cast iron pipe | 28341 |
| Six-inch Cast iron pipe | 184585 |
| Four-inch Cast iron pipe | 37171 |
| Two-inch wrought iron pipe | 15174 |
| One-and one-half inch wrought iron pipe | 4001 |
| One-and one-fourth inch wrought iron pipe | 5405 |
| One inch wrought iron pipe | 19078 |
| Three-fourths inch wrought iron pipe | 1409 |
| <hr/> | |
| 63 miles, 1012 feet. | 333,652 ft. |

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF HYDRANTS**SET DURING 1926.**

| Number | Location | Maker |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------|
| 354 | Faxon St., near Com'l St. | Corey |
| 355 | Union St., near Texas Oil Co. | Corey |
| 356 | West Street | Corey |
| 357 | West Street | Corey |
| 358 | West Street | Corey |
| 359 | West Street | Corey |
| 360 | Crawford Road | Corey |
| 361 | Bellevue Road | Corey |
| 362 | Buckminster Road | Corey |
| 363 | Buckminster Road | Corey |
| 364 | Cotton Avenue | Corey |
| 365 | Marshal Street | Corey |

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF VALVES SET
DURING YEAR 1926

| Valve No. | 5 | 6 Inches | 4 Inches | 2 Inches |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 609 | Five Corners | | | 1 |
| 610 | Bellevue Road | | | 1 |
| 611 | Oakland Ave. | | | 1 |
| 612 | Pearl Street | | | 1 |
| 613 | Crawford, upper | | | 1 |
| 614 | Crawford, lower | | | 1 |
| 615 | View Ave. | | | 1 |
| 616 | Bay Road | | | 1 |
| 617 | Wilmarth Road | | | 1 |
| 618 | Vernon St. | | | 1 |
| 619 | Norfolk Road | | | 1 |

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF VALVES SET
DURING YEAR 1926

| Valve No. | 14 Inches | 12 Inches | 10 Inches | 8 Inches | 6 Inches | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|---|
| 620 Faxon-Commercial St. | | | | | | 1 |
| 621 Faxon-Stetson St. | | | | | | 1 |
| 622 Faxon-Commercial St. | | | | | | 1 |
| 623 Union St. opp. 673 | | | | | | 1 |
| 624 " " Miller | | | | | | 1 |
| 625 " " Middle | | | | | | 1 |
| 626 " " Middle | | | | | | 1 |
| 627 " " opp. 259 | | | | | | 1 |
| 628 " " opp. Texas Oil | | | | | | 1 |
| 629 " " French Ave. | | | | | | 1 |
| 630 " " Wash. St. | | | | | | 1 |
| 631 Great Pond Pumping Station | | | | | | 1 |
| 632 Great Pond Pumping Station | | | | | | 1 |
| 633 West St., near Wood Road . . . | | | | | | 1 |
| 634 " " at Heurlin s. | | | | | | 1 |
| 635 " " at Burtons | | | | | | 1 |
| 636 " " opp. 407 | | | | | | 1 |
| 637 " " opp. 407 | | | | | | 1 |
| 638 Five Corners | | | | | | 1 |

METER RECORD FOR 1926

| | $\frac{5}{8}$ | $\frac{3}{4}$ | 1 | $1\frac{1}{2}$ | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | Total |
|--------|---------------|---------------|---|----------------|---|---|---|---|-------|
| Empire | 2906 | 50 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2982 |
| Crown | | 21 | | | | | | | 21 |
| Gem | | | | | 3 | | | | 3 |
| Hersy | | 2 | | | | | | | 2 |
| | 2904 | 74 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3008 |

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MULCAHY,

Superintendent.

PUMPING RECORD FOR 1926

| | Gallons pumped | Coal burned | Time run | Gallons pumped with 100 lbs. of coal |
|-----------|----------------|-------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| January | 28,079,961 | 71,455 | 444. | 37,207 |
| February | 25,499,090 | 65,165 | 411.50 | 39,297 |
| March | 28,762,694 | 75,645 | 478.45 | 39,228 |
| April | 29,100,309 | 72,825 | 472. | 38,030 |
| May | 27,182,652 | 71,680 | 439.30 | 39,986 |
| June | 28,546,218 | 77,285 | 458.35 | 37,782 |
| July | 32,633,286 | 83,770 | 530.25 | 36,949 |
| August | 31,978,044 | 86,805 | 511.10 | 38,955 |
| September | 29,501,325 | 81,750 | 481.40 | 36,608 |
| October | 30,536,457 | 83,670 | 498.40 | 36,332 |
| November | 29,556,261 | 78,400 | 476.15 | 36,406 |
| December | 31,439,961 | 84,500 | 500.20 | 36,678 |
| Totals | 352,816,558 | 932,950 | 5,703.10 | |
| Averages | 966,621 | 2,556 | 15.54 | 37,793 |

Largest day's pumping, Wednesday, July 21st, 1,310,946.

Smallest day's pumping, Sunday, May 30th, 705,373.

FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE,

Chief Engineer.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Fire Department

OF THE

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit to you the annual report of the Fire Department of the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1926.

Total number of calls during the year—313, divided as follows:

| Box Alarms | Month | Still Alarms |
|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1 | January | 6 |
| 3 | February | 9 |
| 4 | March | 15 |
| 9 | April | 93 |
| 5 | May | 37 |
| 7 | June | 9 |
| 11 | July | 29 |
| 1 | August | 13 |
| 3 | September | 8 |
| 6 | October | 9 |
| 3 | November | 8 |
| 3 | December | 14 |
| 56 | Totals | 257 |

| Month | Buildings | Woods, Dumps, Grass and Bonfires | Automobiles | Oil Tanks | False Alarms | Cat in Trees | Boy in Pond | Totals |
|-------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Jan. | 9 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Feb. | 10 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
| March | 10 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 19 |
| April | 7 | 93 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 102 |
| May | 6 | 35 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 |
| June | 5 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| July | 5 | 27 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 40 |
| Aug. | 5 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| Sept. | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Oct. | 7 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Nov. | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Dec. | 11 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Total | 87 | 196 | 15 | 1 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 313 |

Valuation on Insurance on Damage to Ins. Paid

| Mo. | Buildings | Buildings | Buildings on Buildings | |
|-------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Jan. | \$105,000.00 | \$ 97,000.00 | \$ 1,750.00 | \$ 1,750.00 |
| Feb. | 60,300.00 | 58,300.00 | 8,226.40 | 8,226.40 |
| Mar. | 69,000.00 | 63,500.00 | 313.00 | 313.00 |
| Apr. | 36,100.00 | 33,000.00 | 8,555.00 | 8,545.00 |
| May | 16,000.00 | 14,000.00 | 115.00 | 115.00 |
| June | 23,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 2,970.00 | 2,770.00 |
| July | 38,100.00 | 30,900.00 | 721.00 | 721.00 |
| Aug. | 244,000.00 | 231,500.00 | 35,304.00 | 35,304.00 |
| Sept. | 41,000.00 | 38,300.00 | 1,960.00 | 1,960.00 |
| Oct. | 52,700.00 | 47,500.00 | 2,963.00 | 2,963.00 |
| Nov. | 19,300.00 | 14,000.00 | 2,200.00 | 2,200.00 |
| Dec. | 79,885.00 | 69,585.00 | 5,333.50 | 5,333.50 |
| Tot. | \$764,385.00 | \$712,585.00 | \$70,410.90 | \$70,000.90 |

Fire May 5th, Blanket Insurance Policy.

| | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Insurance | \$1,700,000.00 |
| Damage | 33,000.00 |
| Insurance Paid | 33,000.00 |

Valuation on Insurance on Damage to Ins. Paid

| Mo. | Contents | Contents | Contents on Contents | |
|-------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Jan. | \$ 57,500.00 | \$ 55,000.00 | \$ 276.83 | \$ 276.83 |
| Feb. | 20,020.00 | 20,020.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Mar. | 24,600.00 | 22,700.00 | 50.00 | none |
| Apr. | 9,600.00 | 9,000.00 | 835.00 | 835.00 |
| May | 3,500.00 | 3,000.00 | Blanket | none |
| June | 9,300.00 | 5,800.00 | 1,725.00 | 1,700.00 |
| July | 32,200.00 | 25,500.00 | 233.00 | 233.00 |
| Aug. | 204,105.00 | 203,605.00 | 2,652.60 | 2,652.60 |
| Sept. | 47,300.00 | 47,000.00 | 1,240.00 | 1,225.00 |
| Oct. | 9,200.00 | 9,000.00 | 718.00 | 718.00 |
| Nov. | 8,500.00 | 8,500.00 | 2,200.00 | 2,200.00 |
| Dec. | 24,200.00 | 17,500.00 | 554.25 | 554.25 |
| Tot. | \$450,025.00 | \$426,625.00 | \$12,484.68 | \$12,394.68 |

| | Hose Laid (feet) | Chemical Used (gals.) | Ladders Used (feet) | Pumping Engine Pumped Water | Hrs. | Min. |
|-------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|
| Jan. | 1,300 | 18 | 335 | | | 25 |
| Feb. | 850 | 15 | 160 | | | 10 |
| March | 1,750 | 30 | 197 | | | 10 |
| April | 11,750 | 237 | 240 | | 3 | 15 |
| May | 5,100 | 139 | 230 | | 1 | 30 |
| June | 2,800 | 120 | 35 | | | 40 |
| July | 2,300 | 145 | 155 | | | 35 |
| Aug. | 1,800 | 12 | | | 1 | 40 |
| Sept. | 950 | 18 | 50 | | | 15 |
| Oct. | 2,300 | 53 | 175 | | | 30 |
| Nov. | 1,500 | 44 | 90 | | | 5 |
| Dec. | 450 | 21 | 185 | | 1 | 40 |
| Total | 32,580 | 850 | 1,852 | | 10 | 55 |

Total Calls That Each Piece Answered

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------|-----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|---|
| Jan. | 12 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 0 |
| Feb. | 10 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 2 |
| March | 15 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 0 |
| April | 88 | 14 | 12 | 84 | 14 | 36 | 3 | 0 |
| May | 34 | 7 | 8 | 29 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 0 |
| June | 15 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 12 | 2 | 0 |
| July | 22 | 11 | 13 | 7 | 7 | 18 | 16 | 0 |
| Aug. | 14 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Sept. | 10 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Oct. | 14 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 |
| Nov. | 10 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| Dec. | 15 | 13 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 259 | 88 | 98 | 149 | 51 | 139 | 38 | 2 |

Total Calls in Each Precinct.

| Month | Precincts | One | Two | Three |
|----------|-----------|-----|-----|-------|
| January | | 8 | 5 | 1 |
| February | | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| March | | 9 | 6 | 4 |
| April | | 56 | 21 | 25 |
| May | | 23 | 7 | 12 |
| June | | 4 | 5 | 7 |
| July | | 10 | 19 | 11 |
| Aug. | | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| Sept. | | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Oct. | | 5 | 6 | 4 |
| Nov. | | 8 | 2 | 1 |
| Dec. | | 9 | 5 | 3 |
| | — | — | — | — |
| Totals | | 148 | 86 | 79 |

Permits Granted During the Year

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Transport Oil in Harbor | 62 |
| Gasolene | 13 |
| Dynamite | 8 |
| Fuel Oil | 23 |
| Fireworks | 9 |
| Set Fires in open air | 179 |
| Removal of Gasolene tanks | 5 |

Deaths and Accidents

September 7, Frank Plumber, 138 Town St., 73 years old, fatally burned about body. Cause, clothing ignited from oil stove, Fire Department not called.

September 12, Box 47, Luigi Pizzella, King Hill Road, received second degree burns on back. Cause, attempting to extinguish fire.

August 3, Box 48. House fire; property owned by Guertino Giannini, Woods Road. Squad A was in collision with a State Highway truck. Harold Gilman, call fireman, was thrown from truck. Fractured right leg; treated at Quincy Hospital; Returned from Hospital November 4th.

State Law

A State Law was enacted regulating the passage of fire apparatus responding to fires. This law requires the driver of a vehicle to drive to the right hand curb and stop until apparatus has passed. To remain at a distance of 300 feet behind the apparatus and restricting the parking of a vehicle within 600 feet of a fire.

The co-operation of all drivers is respectfully asked in aiding the department to respond without delay.

In conclusion, I wish to extend my thanks to the Honorable Board of Selectmen, and to the members of the Finance Committee for their co-operation and interest in the welfare of the department.

To all others that have volunteered their services or assisted the department in any manner.

The officers and members of the department have my commendation and sincere thanks for the efficient and faithful manner in which they have performed their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. TENNEY,

Chief of Fire Department.



REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board presents its report for the year of 1926.

This year the Planning Board has devoted its time almost exclusively to the preparation of a comprehensive zoning plan, in accordance with instructions voted under Article 109 at the last Annual Town Meeting, on the joint recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Planning Board. This vote provided that a committee of six citizens, two from each precinct, be appointed by the Moderator to work with the Planning Board on zoning, and that \$1700 be appropriated for the expenses of this task.

Citizens Advisory Committee

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Herbert A. Bryant | Charles O. Miller |
| Merton L. Emerson | Paul V. Monaghan |
| Rev. J. Caleb Justice | Joseph W. Parker |

As soon as this committee was appointed, we joined with them in the organization of a "Zoning Committee", which has functioned very harmoniously as a unit throughout the work. The Committee's first endeavor was the securing of a consultant. After careful investigation we decided upon Mr. Arthur C. Comey, of Cambridge, who has a national reputation as an expert on town planning and zoning. We feel that his work has been very satisfactory and that his high recommendations were well deserved.

He, with the Committee, first carefully studied conditions all over the town, then formulated a tentative draft of the by-law and map. This was informally talked over with the citizens in meetings held for the purpose at the Town Hall, Cochato Club, South School,

Jonas Perkins School, Braintree Point Welfare Club, Hollis School, Noah Torrey School and Penniman School. In the light of the opinions brought out in these discussions a revised draft was prepared, and as this report goes to press, plans are being made for a general hearing in the Town Hall preparatory to the final submitting of the proposition to the Town Meeting.

It seems unnecessary to repeat here many arguments for zoning, as most citizens are probably already familiar with the subject. We will simply say that zoning is the only effective means yet devised that will tend to promote the growth of our town along well defined and orderly lines by establishing definite districts for industry, business and homes. Our home neighborhood or "residential zones" are thus protected from invasion by commercial activities detrimental to them, while, on the other hand, business and industrial enterprises are encouraged by being given special advantages such as parking space, spur tracks, and other facilities, which can be secured to a greater extent because of this segregation than would be possible otherwise. Zoning also provides for a certain minimum amount of space around dwellings, ensuring for everyone adequate sunshine and air—so essential to health—and preventing the dark, unsanitary slums that disgrace so many cities.

After zoning is accomplished, our next task should be the study of the other factors that make up a comprehensive plan for the town's growth. We are in a peculiarly advantageous position right now to do this work with less expense than will probably ever be possible again, because now advantage can be taken of the information regarding present local conditions which has already been gathered in connection with

the study of the zoning plan. Therefore we recommend that the Town raise and appropriate \$600 and, adding to it the unexpended balance from last year's zoning appropriation, authorize the use of the total for this purpose. We believe there is no other way the citizens can spend \$600.00 and receive so much value in return for the investment.

One feature of town planning which it is imperative should be advanced as rapidly as possible is the establishment of building lines on our business and industrial streets, many of which are much too narrow for future—in some cases for present—needs. Building lines will prevent structures being built in such positions as to be in the way of future widenings. We urge that the Board of Survey give this matter immediate attention, and offer our active co-operation.

Another matter of pressing importance is the widening of our main thoroughfares. Now that the congestion in the vicinity of Storrs Square and Norfolk Square is being relieved, the next most urgent needs should be attended to. We feel that these are on Hancock Street between Thayer Avenue and Plain Street, and Washington Street at the Braintree Highlands bridge. In both these places the street is so narrow as to be seriously dangerous, and at the bridge the added hazard of the S curve makes it one of the most deadly spots in this part of the state.

There are many other needs, such as the widening and straightening of Liberty Street and Common Street which are not so urgent but should be kept in mind as projects for the near future.

We are glad that the Town has carried out the recommendations of former reports regarding the widening of the corner of Central Avenue and Tremont

Street. This action has not increased visibility there, but it has given more room for vehicles to avoid each other, and so made the crossing safer.

We also feel that the Town is to be congratulated on the acquirement of the piece of vacant land lying between Tremont Street and the rear of the Common, thus giving easy access to the Common from the west and additional playground space for which future generations will be very grateful.

We wish that a part of the French estate across Washington Street from the Town Hall could be acquired as a future site for a public building. We have not had time this year to study this situation in detail, but we feel that it is a matter which should be given serious consideration.

Another civic development which we have in mind for immediate study is near the East Braintree Station, on the south side of Commercial Street opposite Allen Street. Here is land which is too wet and too much below the grade of the street to be very valuable for building purposes, but which would make a beautiful park. A railroad station is one of the most important gateways to a community but it frequently happens that its surroundings give anything but a pleasing first impression to the arriving stranger. Here is an opportunity to make the principal entrance to East Braintree very attractive indeed. We hope to report definite plans on this proposal in the near future.

Another project which deserves attention is a park around Morrison's Pond, off Elm Street. Here is another location where the land is so far below the street grade and of such shape that it does not readily lend itself to residential development, but would make an admirable park and playground with very little

more expenditure than that required for the purchase of the land.

We recommend that the Town acquire this year the vacant lot adjoining on the north the land now owned by the Town at the corner of Washington and Pond Streets. This small addition would be a great asset to our future park and public landing site, as it affords a much better view of the Blue Hills and the sunset than the property owned at present, and the increased shore frontage will be very useful for recreation. This year seems to be the logical time to secure this land, before its value is increased by the new circumferential highway, and before it is built upon.

It is hardly necessary for us to express our gratification that the circumferential highway is planned to come through Braintree. It will be a great benefit to our citizens, as well as to the public at large.

The fact that it will enter the town near the shores of Great Pond relates it to another matter which is of great importance to us all, namely our water supply. As we remarked in our last report, there is considerable popular dissatisfaction with our water supply. We are not able to say whether or not this is justified, but in any case the fact remains true; and we do assert our belief that this suspicion will never be fully allayed until the land surrounding the pond is owned by the public, as is the water-shed of most reservoirs in thickly-settled regions. If the land is to be bought the sooner it is done the better, because when the new highway is built the property will undoubtedly increase greatly in value. Since the people of Randolph and Holbrook also receive their water supply from this source, and since part of the pond is in Randolph, it would seem proper to act in conjunction with these towns if they will co-operate. It is possible that the

Blue Hills Reservation might be extended to include this district. We recommend that a committee, composed of two members each from the Board of Selectmen, Water Board, Board of Health, and Planning Board respectively, be formed to consider this matter and report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

The need of a modern sewer system becomes more and more imperative as the population of Braintree increases with its present rapidity. It is evident that the citizens are now generally aware that action is incumbent upon them in the immediate future. Foreseeing the likelihood of an extensive program of street resurfacing, we feel that, in the interest of economy, sewer as well as all other needed pipes and conduits should be installed in advance of this resurfacing, insofar as is possible.

“Poems are made by fools like me
But only God can make a tree.”

Poetry seems out of place in a committee report yet these lines carry to us a timely warning that our trees, especially where they adorn our highways should be preserved to the greatest possible extent. Already during the past year, particularly on Washington and Hancock Streets, many have been cut down and there have been no plantings to replace them. In some instances removal has been apparently unavoidable, yet their loss may be and should be compensated for by the planting of others at the earliest possible moment. That section of Washington Street between Hollis Avenue and Storrs Square, now modern in width, should so far as practicable be provided with trees. Business districts need not be bare of trees and a careful selection of species and sites would yield satisfaction, pleasure and pride to all citizens. Let us

strive to preserve the natural attractions of Braintree throughout its sections of industry, business and homes. The Tree Warden has a splendid opportunity to serve the Town in this matter.

We wish to thank all the officials, citizens and organizations who have so kindly co-operated with our work this year. We desire to pay a special tribute of thanks to those members of the Boy Scouts who worked so devotedly in helping us to notify the citizens regarding the local zoning meetings. Sometimes this was done in bitter cold weather that would have tested to the utmost the civic spirit of any adult.

Respectfully submitted,

THERON I. CAIN, Chairman,
MERTON A. TURNER, Secretary,
ARTHUR G. CHAPMAN,
MARK HENNEBURY,
WALLACE W. WILSON,

Members of the Planning Board.

**REPORT OF BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS,
BRAINTREE, MASS.**

Parks and Recreation

The season of 1926 was one of the best ever held, at all of the playgrounds in town. This being the first year that the project has been under the supervision of the town. Previous a group of women had charge of the various playgrounds known as supervised play. They having installed a number of playground apparatus at all of the parks. These were presented to the town to be used under the supervision of the Park Board. A special appropriation was made at the annual town meeting, and the work carried out at the playgrounds by special instructors with a supervisor in charge. At all of the playgrounds there were large attendance of children.

The average attendance at the various parks were
French's Common, South Braintree 500
Hollis playground, Braintree 300
Watson plagrouynd, East Braintree 400

The work carried on at these every day were on a schedule. There were games, sewing and folk dances. At the close of the season there was a display of the work done at the various playgrounds on French's Common and those that had the pleasure to attend were much surprised at the wrok done by the girls from each part of the town. Prizes were donated by local merchants and were awarded for the best work. It is the intention of the Park Commissioners to make the season of 1927 a banner year for the children of the town.

All of the various playgrounds have been kept in excellent condition during the season. All were well patronized. Various sports were conducted all Summer and well into the Fall.

French's Common, South Braintree.

The grounds have been mowed each week. The grove was raked and cleaned each week after the childrens play. Two horse shoe boxes were installed. The band stand wired for electric lights. A tennis court was lined out on the playing field and was played continually. In the upper field a new court has been installed and will be ready for play early in the Summer. Sand boxes and playground apparatus were in constant use all the season. One of the best improvements for years was the purchasing of the Leatherbee lot. This opens up a new entrance from Tremont Street, for nearly 400 residents of that district. French's Common now extends from Washington St. right through to Tremont St. New Bleachers have been erected on the playing field. A large piece has been taken from Washington Street and the arch way moved to the centre of the park entrance. Several decayed trees were removed, and the upper part of the grove plowed and levelled.

Hollingsworth Park, South Braintree.

This park has been raked and mowed and put in fine condition for various kind of sports.

Hollis Playground, Braintree.

There has been a lot of filling and grading in Hollis Field this year. The Hollis Field Association has spent \$1,800.00, grading the upper part of the field. It now needs to be loamed and seeded, to complete it.

The Park Department has turned over to the Board of Health, the lower part of the field, to be used as a dumping place for ashes and other good material. The grounds have been mowed and kept clean, sand boxes filled, and extra space set apart for the small children. There was a good attendance of children during the summer months, under the Organized Playground Supervision.

East Braintree Water Front Playground

This playground, the only one on the Salt Water front owned by the town was kept in excellent condition all season. A new base ball back stop 20x60 ft. was installed. The playing field mowed and raked each week. The tennis court resurfaced and each end put in shape for coming season. Where there was continued play all the season, Playground apparatus was kept in repair. Sand boxes filled and great interest was shown by the parents of this district relative to the playground movement. The large building on the property has been kept in excellent condition. A skating rink was installed by the board of Park Commissioners, and was much enjoyed by the younger folks of this section of the town.

The Small Playground on Commercial St.

Was kept in fairly good shape and games were played here all the season. This grounds being rather small for base ball it was used mostly by children.

Signed

LAWRENCE A, TRAINOR, Chairman,
 JOHNN N. ROGERS, Treasurer,
 ALBERT F. HOLLIS, Secretary,
 Board of Park Commissioners.

**REPORT OF
PARK AND RECREATION TREASURER**

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,130.00 |
| Hollis Fund | 500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,830.00 |

Expenditures

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Labor | \$1,106.91 |
| Equipment | 493.10 |
| Loan and Sand | 10.50 |
| Removing Trees | 15.00 |
| Moths | 30.00 |
| Insurance - Refreshment Booth | 20.63 |
| Miscellaneous | 21.13 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,097.27 |
| Unexpended Balance | <hr/> \$ 132.33 |

Organized Play

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Town Appropriation | \$ 800.00 |
| Expenditures: | |
| Supervisor | \$ 250.00 |
| Assistants | 400.75 |
| Equipment | 76.33 |
| | <hr/> |
| Unexpended Balance | 737.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| Unexpended Balance | \$ 62.92 |

JOHN N. RODGERS, Treasurer.

Report of the Accounting Officer of the Town of Braintree

January 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926.

GENERAL REVENUE

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Previous years:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Poll, personal and real estate | \$134,142.82 |
|---|--------------|

Current year:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Poll, personal and real estate | 421,143.99 |
|---|------------|

Tax Titles:

| Redemption | Tax |
|-------------------|----------|
| Titles | \$137.53 |
| Intervening Taxes | 131.10 |

268.63

From the State:

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Corporation | 29,589.61 |
| Street Railway . . . | 993.55 |
| Bank | 899.78 |
| Income | 57,148.93 |
| Soldier's Exemption | 97.44 |
| Schools, Smith- | |
| Hughes Fund .. | 337.96 |
| Trust Company .. | 301.78 |

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Charles River Loan Sinking Fund . . . | 2,937.54 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$647,862.03 |
| | |
| Licenses and Permits | \$748.00 |
| | |
| Fines: | |
| Court | \$875.90 |
| Library | 237.12 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$1,113.02 |

Grants and Gifts

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| From County: | |
| Dog Licenses | \$1,032.19 |
| Land Damages | |
| Wash. St, Pr. 2 | 7,464.70 |
| Police Expense | 56.69 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$8,553.58 |

General Government

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|----------------------|----------|
| Collector: | |
| Tax Information . . | \$52.00 |
| Interest on deposits | 179.04 |
| Advertising defer- | |
| red taxes, 1925 | 254.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$485.04 |

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|------------------------|------------|
| Town Hall Rent | \$1,077.00 |
|------------------------|------------|

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Selectmen: | |
| Advertising hear- ings | \$167.00 |

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|--------------------|--------|
| Hollis House-curb- | |
| ing | 5.00 |
| Rebate Insurance . | 118.80 |
| Allowance Car (So- | |
| cial Worker) . . . | 50.00 |

\$340.80

Assessors:

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|---------------------|------|
| Telephone | 1.80 |
|---------------------|------|

\$1,904.64

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department:

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Telephone | \$5.90 |
| Miscellaneous | 24.00 |

\$29.90

Inspection:

| | |
|--|----------|
| Sealing of Weights and Measures . . | \$220.20 |
| Building Inspection | 1,600.00 |

1,820.20

Fire Department:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Allowance Car . . . | \$300.00 |
| False Alarms . . . | 31.67 |

\$ 331.67

\$2,181.77

Health Department

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Tuberculosis | \$738.56 |
| Miscellaneous | 23.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$761.56 |

Highways

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Quincy Ave. Bridge | \$92.50 |
| Allowance Car (highways) | 250.00 |
| Highways (Private work) | 1,108.64 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,451.14 |

Charities and Soldiers' Benefits

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Almshouse: | |
| Sale of Produce . . . | \$164.05 |
| All other—Junk . . . | 52.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$216.55 |

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Reimbursements: Poor | |
| From Individuals | \$147.13 |
| From Cities and Towns | 1,724.55 |
| From State | 948.59 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,820.27 |

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Reimbursements: "118" | |
| From cities and towns | \$497.00 |
| From State | 4,823.12 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5,320.12 |

Soldiers' Benefits:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| State Aid and Soldiers' Burials | \$1,176.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$9,532.94 |

Education

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Tuition | \$3,162.76 |
| Miscellaneous | 338.56 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$3,501.32 |

Recreation

| | |
|---|----------|
| Parks and Play- grounds (Hollis Will) | \$500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 9.93 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$509.93 |

Unclassified

| | |
|--|-------------|
| All other—Electric Light Construction | \$10,000.00 |
| Interest | 1,400.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$11,400.00 |

Enterprises and Cemeteries

| | |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Water Dept. | \$82,548.57 |
| Electric Light Dept. | 233,332.76 |
| Cemeteries | 145.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$316,026.33 |

Interest**Deposits:**

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| General | \$3,957.94 |
| Taxes | 5,634.06 |
| Water | 1,266.48 |
| Electric Light | 156.35 |
| Overlay Reserve | 3.69 |

\$11,018.52

Municipal Indebtedness

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Temporary Loans | \$240,000.00 |
| Premium | 5.15 |
| Loans Authorized: | |
| High and Grade Schools | 335,800.00 |
| Premium | 2,048.38 |
| Water Dept.-Stand-pipe | 50,000.00 |
| Premium | 215.00 |
| Penniman School Addition | 96,000.00 |
| Premium | 412.80 |

\$724,481.33

Refunds

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Highways | \$374.60 |
| Miscellaneous | 25.94 |
| Charities | 5.00 |
| State Aid | 6.00 |
| Library | 40.00 |

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|----------------------|----------------|
| Fire Department - | |
| Extra Pay | 6.75 |
| Hall-Police Room .. | 4.22 |
| | ————— |
| | \$462.51 |
| Total Receipts | \$1,741,508.62 |

TRANSFERS

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Parks and Playgrounds | \$30.00 |
| Taxes, 1925 | 285.12 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund to: | |
| Collection of Gar- | |
| bage | \$300.00 |
| Care of Dumps .. | 300.00 |
| Contagious Dis- | |
| eases | 400.00 |
| Expense Treasurer | 120.00 |
| Expense Collector | 250.00 |
| Home | 658.90 |
| Poor | 1,000.00 |
| Employees Com- | |
| pensation | 120.72 |
| Expense - Police .. | 678.20 |
| Schools - Boilers .. | 470.00 |
| Highways - Center | |
| Street | 425.00 |
| Highways - Long's | |
| Block | 250.00 |
| Highways - Norfolk | |
| Square | 500.00 |
| Soldier's Relief .. | 349.50 |
| Military Aid | 40.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$5,862.32 |

Balance, January 1, 1926:

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| General Cash | \$78,694.04 |
| Water Department | 28,982.21 |
| Electric Light De- | |
| partment | 2,059.49 |
| | _____ |
| | \$109,735.74 |
| | _____ |
| | \$1,857,421.80 |

Expenditures

General Government

Legislative:

| | |
|------------------|----------------|
| Salary Moderator | \$25.00 |
|------------------|----------------|

Executive

Selectmen:

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Salaries | \$1,650.00 |
| Clerk | 300.00 |

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|--|-------------------|
| | \$1,950.00 |
|--|-------------------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|--|---------|
| Stationary and postage | \$58.00 |
| Supplies, printing and advertising | 479.17 |
| Telephone | 146.63 |
| All other | 16.20 |

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|--|-----------------|
| | \$700.00 |
|--|-----------------|

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| | \$2,650.00 |
|--|-------------------|

Financial

Auditors:

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Salaries | \$225.00 |
|----------------|-----------------|

Accountant:

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Salary | \$1,800.00 |
| Stationery and supplies | 99.84 |

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|--|-------------------|
| | \$1,899.84 |
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Treasurer:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Salary | \$1,500.00 |
| Clerk | 210.00 |
| Postage, supplies, printing and advertising . . . | 182.55 |
| Expenses | 41.00 |
| Bond | 132.00 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 5.92 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,071.47 |

Collector:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Salary | \$1,000.00 |
| Clerk | 950.00 |
| Clerical work . . . | 21.40 |
| Supplies and postage | 489.20 |
| Printing and ad- vertising | 312.82 |
| Bond | 330.00 |
| Tax Sale Ex- penses | 366.48 |
| Telephone | 62.77 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 15.85 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,548.52 |

Assessors:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Salaries | \$2,400.00 |
| Clerk | 300.00 |
| Clerical help . . . | 360.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,060.00 |

Other expenses:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Supplies and postage | \$82.48 |
| Printing and advertising | 11.75 |
| Auto hire | 4800 |
| Abstracts of Deeds, Probates and Plans | 398.14 |
| Preparing descriptions-Tax Sales | 150.00 |
| Telephone | 88.44 |
| Miscellaneous | 10.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$789.21 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$11,594.04 |

Other General Departments**Law:**

| Salary | Town | |
|----------------------|----------|------------|
| Counsel | | \$630.00 |
| Town Clerk | \$800.00 | |
| Assistant | 792.00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | | \$1,592.00 |

Other expenses:

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Recording fees | \$537.50 |
| Supplies and postage | 72.37 |
| Printing and advertising | 17.50 |
| Bond | 4.00 |
| Telephone | 48.80 |

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|---------------------|-------|------------|
| All other | 14.46 | |
| Equipment | 30.95 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$761.58 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$2,353.58 |

Election and Registration:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Salary, Registrars | \$300.00 |
| Election Officers . | \$952.00 |
| Janitors | 40.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$992.00 |

Other expenses:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Supplies, printing and advertising . | \$821.50 |
| Auto hire | 80.99 |
| Meals | 395.70 |
| All other | 82.44 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,380.63 |
| | <hr/> |

\$2,672.63

Town Hall:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Janitor Service . . | \$900.00 |
| Assistant Janitor . | 1,261.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,161.00 |

Other expenses:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Fuel | \$563.85 |
| Gas and light . . | 666.99 |
| Janitor's supplies . | 117.64 |
| Repairs | 288.68 |
| Water and ice . . | 119.10 |

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|---|-------------|
| | 188 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 11.58 |
| Water | 56.63 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,824.47 |
| Extraordinary repairs: Police Room | |
| Repairs - Hall . . . | \$50.00 |
| Furnishings | 404.14 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$454.14 |
| Town Hall Grounds - Grading: | |
| Contract | \$2,667.65 |
| Miscellaneous | 40.86 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,708.51 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$7,148.12 |
| Total for General Government | \$27,073.37 |
| PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY | |
| Police Department | |
| Salaries and wages: | |
| Chief | \$2,500.00 |
| Patrolmen | 15,567.34 |
| Special officers . . . | 98.00 |
| Chief of Police - | |
| Pension | 625.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$18,790.34 |
| Equipment and repairs | |
| Gasolene, oil and | |
| grease | \$434.12 |
| Repairs - autos . . . | 243.83 |
| Tires and tubes . . . | 31.20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$709.15 |

Other expenses:

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|--|-------------|
| Insurance | \$12.80 |
| Telephone | 409.48 |
| Printing and post- age | 10.85 |
| Care of prisoners and use of lock-up | 56.80 |
| Storage - auto . . . | 72.00 |
| Enforcement of liq- uor laws | 798.50 |
| Equipment for Men | 83.68 |
| Expenses - officers | 91.95 |
| Medical aid | 39.00 |
| Streets - Painting | 19.75 |
| All other | 119.12 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,713.93 |
| Equipment | \$2,431.00 |
| Garage - Rear Town Hall | \$2,500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$26,144.42 |

Fire Department

Salaries and wages:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Chief | \$2,500.00 |
| Permanent men . . . | 15,798.00 |
| Deputy Chiefs (2) . | 150.00 |
| Captains (3) | 30.00 |
| Call men | 1,409.99 |
| Forest Fire War- dens (3) | 75.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,962.99 |

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|--|------------|
| Qualey's truck and man | 1,734.00 |
| Extra Pay of fireman | 1,380.00 |
| Superintendent of Fire Alarm | 225.00 |
| Equipment and repairs: | |
| Apparatus | 999.34 |
| Equipment - Miscellaneous | 905.29 |
| Equipment for men | 555.50 |
| Gasolene, oil and grease | 437.92 |
| Tires and tubes | \$236.50 |
| Hose | 1,225.00 |
| Emergency Pung | 100.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$4,459.55 |
| Hydrant Service | \$500.00 |
| Fuel | 507.40 |
| Light | 111.08 |
| Buildings and grounds: | |
| Repairs | \$210.22 |
| Furnishings | 147.36 |
| Water | 30.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$387.58 |
| Other expenses: | |
| Supplies | 236.54 |
| Telephone | 174.09 |
| Stationery, printing and postage | 52.45 |
| Express, cartage | 19.85 |
| Insurance | 168.94 |
| Medical Aid | 25.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 41.10 |
| | ----- |
| | \$717.97 |

Equipment - Auto \$1,568.00

Fire Alarm Maintenance:

Construction and

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| repairs | \$1,318.32 |
| Labor | 540.88 |
| Power | 58.32 |
| Miscellaneous | 57.48 |

\$1,975.00

Fire Alarm Boxes:

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Boxes | \$1,335.40 |
| Construction | 627.05 |

\$1,962.45

\$35,491.02

Inspection—Buildings

Inspector, Salary \$1,000.00

Printing \$28.00

Transportation 252.00

\$280.00

\$1,280.00

Weights and Measures

Salary \$500.00

Other expenses:

Advertising and

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| supplies | \$43.50 |
| Insurance | 15.20 |
| Transportation | 115.52 |
| Repairs auto | 72.48 |

\$246.70

\$746.70

Forestry**Gypsy Moth:**

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$2,737.37 |
| Autos | 2,171.37 |
| Insecticides | 276.76 |
| Repairing sprayer | 307.03 |
| Gasolene and oil . | 176.31 |
| Hardware & tools | 310.32 |
| All other | 10.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5,989.39 |

Care and planting of trees:

| | |
|------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$870.70 |
| Trucks and teams | 116.83 |
| Hardware & tools | 12.47 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,000.00 |
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\$6,989.39

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| Total for Protection of Persons and Property | \$70,651.53 |
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Health**General Administration:**

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Salaries | \$600.00 |
| Secretary | 100.00 |
| Supplies, Printing and advertising | 55.74 |
| Telephone | 100.19 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$855.93 |
| Fumigation | \$223.35 |
| Collection of Garbage | 5,000.00 |

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|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Care of Dumps | 714.40 |
| Inspection of Plumb- ing | 1,012.94 |

Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Drugs and medicine | \$60.00 |
| Hospitals | 882.00 |
| Loss of Wages . . . | 105.00 |
| Medical aid | 13.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$1,060.00 |

Tuberculosis:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Board and treat- ment | \$2,751.50 |
|------------------------------------|------------|

Vital Statistics:

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Return of Births . . | \$75.75 |
| Return of Deaths . . | 5.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$80.75 |

Other expenses:

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|-----------------------|--------|
| Burying animals . . . | \$.34 |
|-----------------------|--------|

Inspection:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Animals | \$125.00 |
| Meat, provisions . . | 350.00 |
| Milk | 100.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$575.00 |

**Norfolk County Hos-
pital** \$4,179.97

Dental Clinic:

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Dentist, Services . . | \$630.00 |
| Asst. to Dentist . . | 135.50 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$765.50 |

Tuberculosis Clinic:
 Visits and Clerical
 help \$118.75

Sanitation

Drain, Franklin Street:
 Labor \$159.50
 Materials 714.69

 \$874.19

Drain, Elm Street
 Contract \$763.00
 Material 727.00

 \$1,490.00

Drain, River Street:
 Contract \$581.00
 Material 254.26

 \$835.26

Drain, R. R. Crossing, Pr. 2:
 Contract \$379.60
 Material 150.00

 \$529.60

Total for Health and
 Sanitation \$21,071.48

Highways

General Administration. Salaries:
 Highway Surveyors \$150.00
 Superintendent of
 Streets 3,000.00

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Clerk | 300.00 |
| Telephone | 54.31 |
| All other | 43.23 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,547.54 |

Repairs

General:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$7,439.76 |
| Teams and trucks | 1,273.75 |
| Materials | 11,983.53 |
| Equipment and re- | |
| pairs | 5,070.71 |
| Light and power .. | 241.93 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$26,009.68 |

Street Cleaning:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,214.49 |
| Autos | 225.28 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,439.77 |

Tarvia:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$4,395.58 |
| Trucks | 692.16 |
| Materials | 13,032.41 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$18,120.15 |

Resurfacing:

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Labor | \$168.00 |
| Trucks | 1,928.28 |
| Materials | 1,045.51 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,141.79 |

Reshaping:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Labor | \$148.42 |
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Bridges:

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Union Street | \$497.77 |
| Adams Street | 121.44 |
| Pearl Street | 550.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,169.21 |

Drains and Catch Basins:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$673.50 |
| Materials | 669.57 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,343.07 |

Guard Rails and Fences:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Labor | \$70.15 |
| Stock | 74.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$144.15 |

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Miscellaneous | 98.00 |
|-------------------------|-------|

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|---------------------|----------|
| Insurance | 1,017.94 |
|---------------------|----------|

New Equipment

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Tractor Snow Plow | \$5,800.00 |
| Auto - Supt. | 919.66 |
| Mixer | 843.00 |
| Kettle | 950.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$8,512.66 |

Repairs, Commercial Street:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$3,800.99 |
| Hauling | 584.50 |
| Materials | 12,012.43 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$16,397.92 |

Repairs, Pond Street:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,508.01 |
| Hauling | 398.75 |
| Stock | 4,039.91 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5,946.67 |

Repairs, Smith Street:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Labor | \$127.93 |
| Hauling | 60.00 |
| Materials | 507.47 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$695.40 |

Repairs, Washington Street, Pr. 1:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,745.06 |
| Contract - Drains . | 262.50 |
| Materials | 2,248.62 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,256.18 |

Repairs - Washington Street, Pr. 2:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| (Bridge to Common Street) | |
| Labor | \$685.69 |
| Hauling | 28.00 |
| Materials | 650.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,363.69 |

Hollis Avenue to River Street:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$2,160.57 |
| Hauling | 376.00 |
| Materials | 10,384.93 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$12,921.50 |

River Street to Storrs Square:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Labor | \$3,047.82 |
|-------------|------------|

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|------------------------------------|------------|
| Hauling | 494.50 |
| Materials | 1,675.45 |
| Contract (Edge- stone | 376.80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5,594.57 |

Storrs Square:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,187.31 |
| Hauling | 147.50 |
| Materials | 241.52 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,576.33 |

Repairs, Somerville Avenue:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Labor | \$441.72 |
| Hauling | 12.75 |
| Materials | 435.13 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$889.60 |

Repairs, Center Street:

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$446.92 |
| Teams and trucks | 53.00 |
| Materials | 925.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,425.00 |

Repairs, Norfolk Square:

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Contract | \$500.00 |
|--------------------|----------|

Highways (Private Work):

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$313.25 |
| Miscellaneous | 744.62 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,057.87 |

Widening, Tremont Street and Central Avenue:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Contract | \$468.75 |
| Materials | 79.34 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$548.09 |

Widening, Elm & Adams Street:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,679.71 |
| Hauling | 234.15 |
| Materials | 1,081.62 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,995.48 |

Widening, Union Street:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,391.78 |
| Hauling | 170.73 |
| Materials | 4,142.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5,705.46 |

Sidewalks (1925) : Pr. 1.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Contract | \$171.47 |
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Sidewalks, Franklin Street:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Labor | \$124.18 |
| Hauling | 87.50 |
| Materials | 130.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 158.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$499.68 |

Sidewalks (Cement) :

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Contract, Pr. 1. . . | \$2,500.00 |
| Contract, Pr. 2. . . | 2,481.00 |
| Contract, Pr. 3. . . | 2,447.25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$7,428.25 |

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Removal of Snow:

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Labor | 16,704.79 |
| Teams & Trucks .. | 5,008.00 |
| Repairs on equipment | 3,003.27 |
| Materials | 1,049.43 |
| Miscellaneous | 289.58 |

\$26,055.07

Street Lighting 9,225.00

\$166,398.07

Total for Highways \$169,945.61

Charities

Overseers of the Poor:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Salaries | \$600.00 |
|----------------|----------|

Expenses:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Clerk | \$284.00 |
| Printing and Postage | 33.33 |

\$317.33

Salary Visitor and Maintenance
of Auto:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Salary | \$1,404.00 |
| Storage for Car .. | 90.00 |
| Gasolene, oil, etc. | 69.51 |
| Auto | 621.50 |
| Repairs | 30.40 |
| Transportation ... | 26.25 |
| Miscellaneous ... | 24.82 |
| Registration | 20.00 |

\$2,286.48

Outside Relief by Town:

| | |
|--|------------|
| Cash aid | \$4,317.50 |
| Groceries | 791.28 |
| Fuel | 361.87 |
| Medicine and med- ical aid | 368.00 |
| Rent | 455.22 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 408.85 |
| Hospitals & Sttate Institutions | 1,376.99 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$8,079.71 |

Relief by other Cities

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| and Towns | 924.70 |
|---------------------|--------|

Mother's Aid:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Cash aid | \$5,785.00 |
| Rent | 773.50 |
| Medicine and med- ical aid | 117.00 |
| Fuel | 369.88 |
| Groceries | 407.10 |
| Clothing | 42.05 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 51.48 |
| Hospitals | 104.20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$7,650.21 |

Relief by other Cities

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| and Towns | \$1,268.43 |
|---------------------|------------|

Braintree Home:

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|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Salary of Supt. . . | \$960.00 |
| Other employees . . | 848.00 |
| Groceries and provisions | 2,008.90 |
| Clothing | 455.35 |

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|---|-------------|
| Fuel, light & gas | 836.85 |
| Hay and grain . . | 533.33 |
| Medicine and med- ical aid | 138.19 |
| Buildings, repairs, etc. | 579.35 |
| Telephone | 59.92 |
| Miscellaneous . . . | 269.54 |
| | _____ |
| | \$6,689.43 |
| | _____ |
| | \$27,816.29 |

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Aid, Civil War . . | \$960.00 |
| Soldiers' Burials . . | 117.00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$1,077.00 |

Soldiers' Relief:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Cash aid | \$809.50 |
| Rent | 102.00 |
| Fuel | 20.50 |
| Medical Aid | 3.00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$935.00 |

Military Aid:

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| Cash Aid | \$77.00 |
| Fuel | 15.25 |
| | _____ |
| | \$92.25 |
| | _____ |
| | \$2,104.25 |

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|--|-------------|
| Total for Charities and Soldiers' Benefits | \$29,920.54 |
|--|-------------|

in detail

EDUCATION

General Expenses

| | |
|---|------------|
| Salary of Supt. | \$4,160.16 |
| Clerk | 1,158.60 |
| Attendance Officer | 495.00 |
| Printing, stationery and postage | 148.17 |
| Telephone | 602.85 |
| Traveling expenses | 128.53 |
| Miscellaneous | 432.40 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$7,125.71 |

Instructional Expenses

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers' Salaries | \$152,770.50 |
| Text Books and Supplies: | |
| High | \$4,437.70 |
| Elementary | 7,273.21 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$164,481.41 |

Operating Expenses

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Janitors' Services: | |
| High | \$1,528.00 |
| Elementary | 8,432.61 |
| Fuel and Light: | |
| High and Elemen- tary | 7,133.99 |

Miscellaneous:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| High and Elemen- | |
| tary | \$4,036.06 |
| | \$21,130.66 |

Maintenance**Repairs:**

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| High and Elemen- | |
| tary | \$13,371.37 |

Auxiliary

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Physician | \$1,350.00 |
| Nurse | 1,425.00 |
| Transportation | 7,678.08 |
| Tuition | 1,905.47 |
| Graduation exercises | 160.55 |
| Noon services | |
| (Teachers) | 516.50 |
| Furniture and furnishings | 872.72 |
| Outlay | 1,189.75 |
| All other | 914.46 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$16,012.53 |

Continuation School

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Salary Supt. | \$39.97 |
| Teacher's Salaries . . | 3,542.04 |
| Clerk | 11.40 |
| Attendance Officer . . | 5.00 |
| Janitor's Services . . | 203.95 |
| All other | 625.04 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,427.40 |

Smith-Hughes Fund:
Salaries (Continua-
tion Fund **337.96**

Torrey School Addition

Contractors:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| General | \$18,451.70 |
| Heating & Venti- | |
| lating | 9,935.00 |
| Electrical Work . | 2,186.23 |
| Plumbing | 1,667.00 |
| Painting | 2,334.40 |
| Hardware | 1,066.90 |
| Architects | 5,435.53 |
| Insurance | 161.20 |
| Miscellaneous | 758.92 |
| Advertising | 10.50 |
| Furnishings & Equip- | |
| ment | 6,309.14 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$48,316.52 |

High School

Architect \$10,050.80

Contractors:

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| General | 133,492.43 |
| Heating and Venti- | |
| lating | 19,069.25 |
| Electrical Work . | 4,000.00 |
| Plumbing | 7,480.00 |
| Grading | 3,883.65 |

Plans & Specifica-

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| tions | 275.00 |
| Insurance | 5,741.30 |
| Installing Water Pipes | 215.65 |
| Miscellaneous | 68.49 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$184,276.57 |

Penniman School Addition

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Advertising Pro - posals | \$12.50 |
| Architect | 2,500.00 |
| Contractor General | 11,741.90 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$14,254.40 |
| Total for Education | \$473,734.53 |

Library

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Janitor — Salary | \$300.00 |
| Librarian | \$1,440.00 |
| Assistants | 952.00 |
| Other labor | 222.46 |
| Supplies | 75.62 |
| Books and Periodicals | 982.78 |
| Transportation books | 21.00 |
| Fuel and Light | 474.10 |
| Insurance | 272.00 |
| Telephone | 37.20 |
| Water | 8.45 |
| Miscellaneous | 44.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,529.69 |

Library Repairs

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Repairs Roof | \$695.00 |
| Repairs Steps | 315.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$1,010.00 |

Total for Library \$5,839.69

Recreation

Parks and Playgrounds:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Equipment | \$493.10 |
| Labor | 606.91 |
| Material | 10.50 |
| Removing Tree | |
| (Precinct 1.) . . | 15.00 |
| Insurance | 20.63 |
| Miscellaneous | 21.13 |
| | ————— |
| | \$1,167.27 |

Hollis Playground—(Hollis Will)

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Labor | \$454.89 |
| Miscellaneous | 45.11 |
| | ————— |
| | \$500.00 |

Organized Play

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Supervisor | \$260.00 |
| Assistants | 400.75 |
| Miscellaneous | 76.33 |
| | ————— |
| | \$737.08 |

Total for Recreation \$2,404.35

Unclassified**Legislative:****Finance Committee:**

| | |
|-------------------|----------|
| Reports | \$255.51 |
| Advertising . . . | 18.25 |
| Notes — Annual | |
| Meeting | 126.19 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$399.95 |

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|--|------------|
| Planning Board | \$30.00 |
| Penniman School Committee | \$30.50 |
| Town Reports: | |
| Printing | \$1,314.72 |

Financial:

| | |
|--|----------|
| Typewriter | \$69.25 |
| Care and supplies for Adding Ma- chine | 68.17 |
| Ink | 5.02 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$142.44 |

Selectmen:

| | |
|--|----------|
| Supplies | \$19.95 |
| W i t n e s s F e e (Spear) | 5.00 |
| Recording | 5.08 |
| Report - Garland Case | 172.79 |
| Insurance - Social Worker | 46.00 |
| All other | 37.15 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$285.97 |

Highways:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Relocations - Peti- | |
| tions | \$12.64 |
| Auto - Supt. (Bal.) | 53.24 |
| Board of Survey | |
| (printing) | 8.50 |
| Repairs Quincy Ave. | |
| Bridge | 382.85 |
| Land Damage | |
| Adams Street . . . | 3.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$460.23 |

Treasurer:

| | |
|-------------------|---------|
| Certification o f | |
| - notes | \$28.00 |

Assessors:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Poll Books | \$270.00 |
| Abstract Deeds . . | 59.20 |
| All other | 18.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$347.60 |

Police Department:

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Ambulance | \$87.00 |
| Police Room | 53.89 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$140.89 |

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|-----------------------|------------|
| Patrolling Sunset | |
| Lake | 336.00 |
| Health - Culvert . . | 90.00 |
| Cemetery - Graves . . | 60.00 |
| Damages to Persons | |
| and Property . . . | 100.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,766.30 |

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Pilgrim Monument | \$30.00 |
| Engineering Dept. | 2,431.70 |
| Insurance, Public Buildings | 2,930.90 |
| Memorial Day: | |
| Post 87, G. A. R. | \$200.00 |
| American Legion | 100.00 |
| Veterans Foreign Wars | 100.00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$400.00 |
| Compensation Law | \$2,320.72 |
| Repairs to Legion Biulding | 496.75 |
| Land, French's Com- mon (Leatherbee) | 1,000.00 |
| Land school purposes | 500.00 |
| Quincy Ave. Bridge | 2,700.00 |
| Land Damages, Washington Street: | |
| Precinct 1 | \$3,351.00 |
| Precinct 2 | 8,204.95 |
| | _____ |
| | \$11,555.95 |
| Land Damages, Adams Street | \$1,555.75 |
| Signs and Signals: | |
| Signs | \$1,019.38 |
| Freight | 7.94 |
| Setting & Re- setting | 237.00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$1,264.32 |

Signs and Signals:

| | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Flashlights and parts | 213.34 |
| Repairs Flashlights | 154.70 |

Cemetery - Plain Street:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Superintendent | \$500.00 |
| Labor | 1,071.99 |
| Loam, sand & ce- ment | 66.90 |
| Equipment | 65.57 |
| Wall | 126.94 |
| Tarvia | 158.60 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$1,990.00 |

Zoning Committee

| Services | Zoning |
|--------------------|----------|
| Plans | \$737.26 |
| Prints | 35.54 |
| Printing | 26.45 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$799.25 |

Total for Unclassified \$34,209.68

Interest:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Electric Light Con- | |
| struction | \$1,400.00 |
| Schools | 9,998.75 |
| Town Hall | 520.00 |
| Tuberculosis Hosp. | 450.00 |
| Anticipation of | |
| Revenue | 5,082.03 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$17,450.78 |

Municipal Indebtedness:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Electric Light Con- | |
| struction | \$10,000.00 |
| Schools | 19,500.00 |
| Town Hall | 2,000.00 |
| Tuberculosis Hosp. | 1,000.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$32,500.00 |
| Anticipation of Reve- | |
| nue | \$240,000.00 |
| Water Department . | 139,218.91 |
| Electric Light De- | |
| partment | 229,733.60 |
| Metropolitan Park | |
| Assessment | \$14,368.64 |
| State Assessment . . | 30,240.00 |
| County Tax | 25,219.11 |
| State Highway Tax | 6,141.00 |
| Municipal Lighting | |
| Plant | 42.56 |
| Metropolitan Plan- | |
| ning Division . . . | 266.04 |
| Trust Company Tax . | 8.85 |
| Bridge-Western Ave. | |
| & Arsenal St. . . . | 150.26 |
| Bridge-Western Ave. | 241.65 |
| Bridge-Mass. Ave. . | 2,098.35 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$78,776.46 |
| Total Payments . . . | \$1,572,530.53 |

Transfers

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Taxes, 1925 | \$285.12 |
| Moth | 30.00 |

Transferred from Reserve Fund to:

Collection of Gar-

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| bage | \$300.00 |
| Care of Dumps | 300.00 |
| Contagious Disease .. | 400.00 |
| Expense Treasurer .. | 120.00 |
| Expense Collector .. | 250.00 |
| Home | 658.90 |
| Poor | 1,000.00 |
| Employees' Compen- sation | 120.72 |
| Expense Police | 678.20 |
| Schools - Boilers .. | 470.00 |
| Highways-Center St. | 425.00 |
| Hgihways - Long's Block | 250.00 |
| Highways - Norfolk Square | 500.00 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 349.50 |
| Military Aid | 40.00 |

\$5,862.32

\$1,578,707.97

Balance, January 1, 1927:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| General Cash | \$249,320.48 |
| Water Department | 23,578.35 |
| Electric Light De- partment | 5,815.00 |

\$278,713.83

\$1,857,421.80

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1926

ASSETS

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Cash, General | \$249,320.48 |
| Cash, Electric Light | 5,815.00 |
| Cash, Water Department | 23,578.35 |
| Cash, Specials | 23,293.13 |
| | <hr/> |
| Taxes: | |
| Levy, 1926 | \$190,447.71 |
| Levy, 1925 | 1,054.26 |
| | <hr/> |

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| Tax Titles | \$191,501.97 |
| | |
| Civilian War Polls | |
| Accounts Receivable: | |
| Individual | |
| Electric Light Department: | |
| Power | |
| Water Department: | |
| Revenue | |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Overlay, 1926 | \$7,660.09 |
| Overlay, 1925 | 2,367.61 |
| | <hr/> |
| Trust Fund Income: | |
| School Fund | \$1,039.11 |
| French Fund | 70.35 |
| Penniman Fund | 29.66 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,139.12 |
| Tax Title Revenue | \$3,032.23 |
| Reserve Fund: Overlay | \$6,320.21 |
| Electric Depreciation Fund | \$22,154.01 |
| Electric Light Dept.: Light | 3.67 |
| Electric Light Dept.: Misch. | 1,427.76 |
| Electric Light Dept.: Revenue | 5,782.97 |
| Electric Light Dept.: Balance | 5,815.00 |
| Water Dept.: Rates | 3,535.34 |
| Water Dept.: Services | 7,097.55 |
| Water Dept.: Balance | 23,578.35 |
| Excess and Deficiency | 64,338.70 |
| Special Appropriations: | |
| Premium on Loans | \$4,433.58 |
| West Street | 10,000.00 |
| Adams Street | 3,800.00 |
| Commercial Street | 6,557.08 |

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| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Washington St., Precinct 1 | 13,652.82 |
| Harrison & Cleveland Avenues | 2,163.00 |
| Sidewalk, Franklin Street | 1,142.85 |
| Land Damages - Wash. St. | 854.05 |
| New High School | 218,135.90 |
| Penniman School Addition | 86,369.60 |
| Land, School & other purposes | 4,475.00 |
| Committee on Zoning | 900.75 |

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|--|--------------|
| | \$352,484.63 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$516,737.24 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$516,737.24 |

TRUST FUNDS

| | | |
|-------------|----------------------|------------|
| \$36,420.66 | Brantree School Fund | \$8,893.15 |
| | C. E. French Fund | 2,419.50 |
| | N. H. Hunt Fund | 24,276.99 |
| | A. M. Penniman Fund | 500.00 |
| | A. C. Hanson Fund | 331.02 |

| | |
|--|-------------|
| | \$36,420.66 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$36,420.66 |

INDEBTEDNESS

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| \$754,800.00 | Town Hall | \$12,000.00 |
| | School | 653,800.00 |
| | Hospital | 9,000.00 |
| | Electric Light Construction | 30,000.00 |
| | Water Dept., Mains & St'dpipe | 50,000.00 |

| | |
|--|--------------|
| | \$754,800.00 |
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PROPERTY ACCOUNT

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Real Estate | \$461,927.74 |
| Personal Property | 68,177.74 |
| Water Works | 366,707.64 |
| Electric Light Plant | 163,411.22 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,060,223.66 |
| | \$1,060,223.66 |

RECAPITULATION
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

| Appropriation or Balance | Transfers or Refunds | Overdraft | Account | Balance |
|---|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| \$ 25.00 | | | Moderator | \$ 25.00 |
| 1,650.00 | | | Selectmen, salaries | 1,650.00 |
| 1,000.00 | | | Selectmen, expenses | 1,000.00 |
| 1,900.00 | | | Accounting Department | 1,899.84 |
| 225.00 | | | Auditors, salaries | .16 |
| 1,500.00 | \$ 120.00 | | Treasurer, salary | 1,225.00 |
| 500.00 | | | Treasurer, expenses | 1,500.00 |
| 1,000.00 | | | Tax Collector, salary | 571.47 |
| 2,485.00 | 268.00 | | Tax Collector, expenses | 1,000.00 |
| 2,400.00 | | | Assessors, salaries | 2,556.52 |
| 1,450.00 | 40.00 | | Assessors, expenses | 2,400.00 |
| 900.00 | | | Law | 1,489.21 |
| 2,490.00 | | | Town Clerk's Dept. | .79 |
| 2,700.00 | | | Election and Registration | 630.00 |
| 900.00 | | | Town Hall Janitor | 2,353.58 |
| 1,261.00 | | | Town Hall Asst. Janitor | 2,672.63 |
| 2,000.00 | | | Town Hall Maintenance | 900.00 |
| 1,254.80 | 4.22 | | Town Hall Police Room | 1,261.00 |
| 3,000.00 | | | Town Hall Grading Grounds | 1,824.47 |
| | | | | 454.14 |
| | | | | 804.88 |
| | | | | 2,708.51 |
| | | | | 291.49 |
| PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY | | | | |
| 19,067.00 | | | Police, salaries | 18,067.34 |
| 1,745.50 | 678.20 | | Police, expenses | 2,423.08 |
| 155.00 | | | Police, special | .62 |
| 2,431.00 | | | Police, equipment | 98.00 |
| 625.00 | | | Pension—Chief of Police | 2,431.00 |
| | | | | 625.00 |

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|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 2,500.00 | 20.00 |
| 18,490.00 | |
| 1,735.00 | 6.75 |
| 1,700.00 | |
| 6,686.20 | |
| 175.00 | |
| 1,568.00 | |
| 1,734.00 | |
| 2,200.00 | |
| 1,966.16 | |
| 750.00 | |
| 6,000.00 | |
| 1,000.00 | |
| 1,280.00 | |
| <hr/> | |
| Garage—Rear Town Hall | 2,500.00 |
| Firemen, salaries | 18,318.00 |
| Firemen, pay of men | 1,664.99 |
| Firemen, extra pay of men | 1,380.00 |
| General expenses | 6,683.58 |
| Land—Engine House Precinct 3 | 175.00 |
| Equipment—Chief's Car | 1,568.00 |
| Qualey's truck and man | 1,734.00 |
| Fire Alarm—Reuairs and Renewals | 2,200.00 |
| Fire Alarm Boxes | 1,962.45 |
| Weights and Measures | 3.71 |
| Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths | 3.30 |
| Care and Planting Trees | 10.61 |
| Building Inspection | 1,280.00 |
| <hr/> | |

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| 700.00 | |
| 4,800.00 | 300.00 |
| 800.00 | 300.00 |
| 3,500.00 | 400.00 |
| 1,012.94 | |
| 125.00 | |
| 100.00 | |
| 350.00 | |
| 109.25 | |
| 800.00 | |
| 200.00 | |
| 4,179.97 | |
| 1,490.00 | |
| 850.00 | |
| 1,250.00 | |
| 540.00 | |
| <hr/> | |
| Health, salaries | 700.00 |
| Collection of Garbage | 5,000.00 |
| Expenses, Care of Dumps, etc. | 1,098.02 |
| Contagious Diseases | 3,811.50 |
| Inspection of Plumbing | 1,012.94 |
| Inspection of Animals | 125.00 |
| Inspection of Milk | 100.00 |
| Inspection of Meats & Provisions | 350.00 |
| Vital Statistics | 80.75 |
| Dental Clinic | 28.50 |
| Tuberculosis Clinic | 765.50 |
| Norfolk County Hospital | 118.75 |
| Elm Street Drain | 4,179.97 |
| River Street Drain | 1,490.00 |
| Franklin Street Drain | 835.26 |
| R. R. Crossing Drain, Precinct 2 | 375.81 |
| | 14.74 |
| | 34.50 |
| | 81.25 |
| | 10.40 |

HIGHWAYS

| | |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| 50.00 | |
| 12,410.00 | Land Damage - -May Avenue |
| 1,555.75 | Damages - Washington St. |
| | Damages - Union & Adams Sts. |

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

| | |
|----------|---|
| 600.00 | Salaries, Overseers |
| 2,376.85 | Salary Visitor, and Maintenance of Auto |
| 350.00 | Expenses, Clerk |
| 8,000.00 | Poor |
| 9,000.00 | "118" |
| 6,200.00 | Home |
| 1,175.00 | State Aid & Soldiers' Burials |
| 1,100.00 | Military Aid |
| 600.00 | Soldiers' Relief |
| | |
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SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY

| | |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| 157,572.50 | Salaries |
| 72,727.20 | General Expenses |
| 100,624.00 | Penniman School Addition |
| 450,728.99 | New Schoolhouses |
| 337.96 | Smith - Hughes Fund |
| 4,500.00 | Library - General Expenses |
| 300.00 | Library - Salary of Janitor |
| 1,500.00 | Library - Repairs |
| 4,800.00 | Land - School & Other Purposes |
| | |

RECREATION

| | |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| 1,330.00 | Parks and Playgrounrs |
| 800.00 | Organized Play |
| 500.00 | Hollis Playground (Hollis Will) |
| 1,000.00 | Land - Leatherbee |
| | |

UNCLASSIFIED

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Honorable Board of Selectmen, Braintree, Mass.

Gentlemen: In compliance with your request, I submit the following report of the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures, for the year ending December 31, 1926.

I have tried most earnestly during the year just past to perform the duties of the office in an impartial and fair manner, and therefore be just to all parties concerned. I have found our merchants most courteous and willing to comply with the laws in relation to the sealing of weights and measures and inspections.

I sincerely recommend that the town purchase a set of scales to be known as municipal scales to be located in some convenient place, so that the weighing of coal and other commodities in transit would be in accordance to law, and that all orders of coal by the municipality be subject to reweighing on said scales.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$750.00 |
| Expense and Salary | 746.50 |

| | |
|---------------|------|
| Balance | 4.50 |
|---------------|------|

Received and paid to Treasurer:

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Sealing fees | \$182.20 |
|--------------------|----------|

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|---------------------|--------|
| Junk Licenses | 250.00 |
|---------------------|--------|

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| Hawkers and Pedlers Licenses | 40.00 |
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|---------------------|-------|
| State License | 38.00 |
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|--|----------|
| | \$510.20 |
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| Inside and Outside Work. | Fees Charged |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Scales tested and found correct..... | 267 |
| Scales tested and condemned | 4 |
| Scales tested and adjusted | 18- |

| | |
|--|-----|
| Weights tested and found correct | 419 |
| Weights tested and condemned | 4 |
| Liquid measures tested and found correct | 461 |
| Liquid measures tested and con- demned | 15 |
| Linear measures tested and found correct | 24 |
| Measuring pumps found correct | 154 |
| Measuring pumps not sealed | 39 |
| Measuring pumps condemned | 1 |
| Leather measuring machine not sealed | 1 |
| Slot weighing machines sealed | 10 |
| Slot weighing machines tagged for repairs | 1 |

Number of Inspections made from December 15, 1925

to December 15, 1926.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Coal re-weighing while in transit | 8 |
| Coal re-weighing in bags of less than 100 lbs. | 367 |
| Inspection of stores after scales tested of commodities | 334 |
| Inspection of scales used by pedlers | 9 |
| Inspection of scales used by ic men | 14 |
| Inspection of jars on milk wagons | 300 |
| Inspection of junk dealers scales | 9 |
| Inspection of coal team for certificates | 16 |
| Milk jars, Mass. Seal | 41,000 |
| New law enacted with regard to tank wagons, which necessitates the weighing of same. Amount of fees collected for same | \$ 30.00 |

Examined and approved January 19th, 1927.

HERBERT A. CURTIS,
RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1926.

In Conclusion.

I have tried to make this department a truly public service department, and have earnestly endeavored to extend its influences in the closest manner possible to the people, thereby affording them every opportunity to protect themselves against insufficient weight and measure.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES S. HANNAFORD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Health

OF THE

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board is pleased to announce that it has been able to establish two public dumps, one at the corner of Cleveland Ave. and Union St. and the other at Hollis Field, Braintree.

This was made possible by the fine public spirit of the owner, Mr. James Brown and the co-operation of the Hollis School Associates.

The Board is trying to obtain one or two suitable places for public dumps in East Braintree. At the present time the Stetson St. dump is being used by a large number of residents of Precinct 3.

The Board strongly urges all citizens to use the public dumps as the money available for cleaning up rubbish is limited and a much more economical use can be made of the appropriation if this plan is carried out.

Sewerage

The Town has grown very fast, and cesspools in some parts of the town are practically useless. The Board feels that the only remedy for the obselete cesspool is the sewerage system.

Collection of Garbage

The collection of garbage by the present contractor has been the subject of few complaints and the Board believes is satisfactory to most of our citizens.

DANGEROUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
1926

| | February | January | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December | Total |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-------|
| Scarlet Fever . . . | 6 | 4 | 13 | 14 | 19 | 18 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 15 | 109 |
| Whooping Cough . | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 | | | 5 | | | | 2 | 10 | 32 |
| Mumps | 2 | | | 1 | 4 | 2 | | | | 1 | | | 10 |
| Chicken Pox | 6 | 1 | 3 | | 2 | 3 | | | | 6 | 16 | 14 | 51 |
| Pulmonary T. B. . . | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | 10 |
| Measles | 11 | 14 | 8 | 8 | 22 | | | | 2 | | | | 65 |
| German Measles .. | 5 | 21 | 10 | 16 | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | 26 |
| Influenza | | 14 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 15 |
| Gonorrhea | | | 2 | | | | | | | 1 | | | 3 |
| Diphtheria | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Lobar Pneumonia .. | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Typhoid Fever . . . | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| T. B. other forms | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Ophthalmia Peona- torum | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Sum Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | 356 |

Braintree, January 1, 1927.

To the Braintree Board of Health:

Gentlemen: I have the honor of submitting to you the annual report of the dangerous and communicable diseased reported to the Board for the year ending December 31, 1926. I have issued 21 Licenses during the year at one dollar each, and one at two dollars, the same was turned over to the Town, and a

receipt taken therefor. Above is found a schedule of the cases reported.

Yours truly,
MARGARET PIERSON,
Secretay.

REPORT OF INSPECTORS OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit our report for year ending December 31, 1926.

There has been issued from this office 309 permits to install plumbing together with 3 left over from 1925, of this number 310 have passed inspection and 2 remains left over for 1927.

There has been installed in old and new buildings the following fixtures: (315) sinks, (259) laundry trays, (389) closets, (334) lavatories, (277) bathtubs, (3) shower baths, (2) floor drains, (10) drinking fountains, (22) urinals, (1) fish sink, (1) soda fountain, (6) slop sinks, (2) dish washing machines, (1) refrigerator, making a total of 1,622 fixtures, the value of which was \$143,475.00

The number of old and new buildings in which plumbing was installed are as follows: (233) new 1 family houses, (6) new two family houses, (31) old 1 family houses, (8) old two family houses, (1) gas station, (1) new school, (1) old school, (13) new stores, (4) old stores, (1) new restaurants, (1) new theatre, (3) old four family houses, (3) new offices,

(1) old three family house, (1) old hospital, (1) new service station, (1) bowling alley, (4) barber shops.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. LUDDEN,

Inspector of Plumbing.

W. B. SKINNER,

Deputy Inspector.

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

To the Braintree Board of Health:

Gentlemen: The report of the milk inspector of the Town of Braintree is as follows:

Permits issued:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Dealers of milk and cream | 17 |
| Dealers of milk and oleo | 8 |
| Dealers of oleo | 1 |
| Producers | 10 |
| | — |
| Total | 36 |

There are five small herds of three to five cows that have not applied for permits.

The total number of quarts sold daily are 3,717.

Only a small percentage of the milk produced in the town is pasturized, while most of that which is procured from other sources is pasturized.

The milk supply of Braintree is very satisfactory, there having been no complaints, or prosecutions throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. RECORD, M. D.,

Milk Inspector.

GENERAL EXPENSES

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Salaries and Secretary | \$700.00 |
| Stationery and postage | 23.35 |
| Printing and advertising | 32.50 |
| Telephone | 100.19 |
| Fumigation | 223.35 |
| Care of Dumps | 714.40 |
| Miscellaneous | 4.34 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$1,098.02 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Vital Statistics | \$80.75 |
| Inspection of Plumbing | 1,012.94 |
| Collection of Garbage | 5,000.00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 125.00 |
| Inspector of Meats & Provisions | 350.00 |
| Inspector of Milk | 100.00 |
| Contagious Diseases | 3,811.50 |
| Dental Clinic | 765.50 |
| Tuberculosis Clinic | 118.75 |
| Norfolk County Hospital | 4,179.97 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$10,484.21 |

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH G. BAILEY, Chairman.

PERCY RICHARDS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Overseers
of the Poor:

I herewith submit the following report for the
year ending December 31, 1926:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Number of families referred | 136 |
| Persons involved | 326 |
| Calls made | 1225 |

Divided as follows:

Overseers of Poor

| | |
|---|-----|
| Applications made | 92 |
| Families aided | 65 |
| Persons involved | 211 |
| Having Braintree settlements | 40 |
| Settlements in other Cities and Towns | 11 |
| No known settlement | 8 |
| Having Braintree settlement but residing in other places | 2 |
| Application made bu aid rendered from other sources | 28 |
| Now aided | 22 |
| Call made | 703 |

Mothers Aid

| | |
|---|-----|
| Applications made and aided | 15 |
| Persons involved | 86 |
| Having Braintree settlement | 9 |
| Having settlement elsewhere | 1 |
| No wnown settlement | 2 |
| Having Braintree settlement but residing in other places | 3 |
| Cases closed | 2 |
| Now aiding | 13 |
| Call made | 442 |

Board of Health

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Persons referred | 14 |
| Having Braintree settlement | 11 |
| Having settlement elsewhere | 2 |
| Having no known settlement | 2 |
| Now being aided | 6 |
| Calls made | 34 |

Military Aid

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Persons referred | 15 |
| Having Braintree settlement | 14 |
| Having settlement elsewhere | 1 |
| Now aiding | 4 |
| Calls made | 66 |

With assistance from the Friendly Aid Association, other organizations and individuals, we have supplemented to a marked degree the aid rendered from the Overseer's Department.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CAREY,
Agent.

**REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS OF
THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE**

Braintree, Mass., January 31, 1927.

To the Board of Selectmen, of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: I beg to submit herewith the report of the Inspector of Buildings for the year 1926:

Number of permits issued 406
made up as follows:

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Houese | 244 |
| Garages | 111 |
| Schools | 2 |
| Alterations | 37 |
| Stores | 9 |
| Churches | 1 |
| Moving buildings | 2 |
| | — |
| | 406 |

The estimated cost of the work for which the above permits were issued was \$1,920,900.00

I received and deposited with the Town Treasurer the sum of \$1,600, received for permits during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAIG,
Building Inspector.

Assessors' Report

APPROPRIATIONS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Legislative

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Moderator | \$25.00 |
|-----------------|---------|

Executive

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Selectmen's salaries | \$1,650.00 |
| Selectmen's expenses | 1,000.00 |
| \$2,650.00 | |

Financial

| | |
|---|------------|
| Accountant, salary and ex- penses | \$1,900.00 |
| Auditor's salaries | 225.00 |
| Treasurer, salary and ex- penses | 2,000.00 |
| Tax Collector, salary, plus fees | 1,300.00 |
| Tax Collector, clerk and expenses | 2,485.00 |
| Assessors, salaries and ex- penses | 3,850.00 |
| \$11,760.00 | |

Other General Departments

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Town Clerk, salary and expenses | \$2,490.00 |
| (plus fees, estimated) ... | 500.00 |
| Law | 900.00 |
| Election and Registration .. | 2,700.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$6,590.00 |

Town Hall

| | |
|---|------------|
| Maintenance and Janitors' salaries | \$4,161.00 |
| Repairs and Furnishings - Police Room | 1,254.80 |
| Grading Grounds | 3,000.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$8,415.80 |

Police Department

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Police salaries | \$19,067.00 |
| General expenses | 1,745.50 |
| Special officers | 155.00 |
| Equipment - Combination Patrol and Ambulance .. | 2,431.00 |
| Police - Pension Chief | 625.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$24,023.50 |

Fire Department**Salary Chief and Permanent**

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Men | \$18,490.00 |
| Pay of Firemen | 1,735.00 |
| Extra Pay of Firemen | 1,700.00 |
| General Expenses | 6,686.20 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Qualey's truck and expenses | 1,734.00 |
| Equipment Chief's Car | 1,568.00 |
| Fire Alarm Maintenance | 2,200.00 |
| Fire Alarm Boxes | 1,966.16 |
| Land near Engine House | 175.00 |
| | \$36,254.36 |

Inspection

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Sealer of Weights and Measures: | |
| Salary and expenses | \$750.00 |
| Building Inspector: | |
| Salary and expenses | \$1,280.00 |

Forestry

| | |
|---|------------|
| Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths | \$6,000.00 |
| Care of Trees | 1,000.00 |
| | \$7,000.00 |

Health

| | |
|--|----------|
| Salaries | \$700.00 |
| Expenses, Fumigation, Care of Dumps | 800.00 |
| Collection of Garbage | 4,800.00 |
| Contagious Diseases | 1,500.00 |
| Milk Inspection | 100.00 |
| Plumbing Inspection | 1,012.94 |
| Inspector, Meats and Pro- visions | 350.00 |
| Inspector Animals | 125.00 |
| Tuberculosis Clinic | 200.00 |

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Dental Clinic | 800.00 |
| Vital Statistics | 109.25 |
| Norfolk County Hospital ... | 4,179.97 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$14,677.16 |

Highways

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Salaries, Highway Surveyors | \$150.00 |
| Salary, Superintendent of Streets | 3,000.00 |
| Clerk and expenses | 400.00 |
| General repairs | 51,050.00 |
| Insurance on Equipment ... | 1,008.40 |
| Private work | 2,000.00 |
| Snow Removal | 20,000.00 |
| Sidewalks | 7,500.00 |
| Adams Street | 3,800.00 |
| Commercial Street | 22,955.00 |
| Franklin Street, Drainage ... | 1,250.00 |
| Sidewalks, Pr. 1 | 171.47 |
| Repairs Flashlights | 250.00 |
| New Equipment | 8,519.66 |
| Street Lighting | 9,225.00 |
| Pond Street | 6,000.00 |
| Smith Street | 697.20 |
| Washington Street (Bridge to Common Street) | 1,386.00 |
| Washington Street (Hollis Avenue to River Street) | 12,921.50 |
| Washington Street (River to Storrs Square) | 5,601.00 |
| Washington Street (Storrs Square) | 1,577.00 |
| Washington Street (Com- mon to Thayer Place ... | 17,909.00 |
| Center Street | 1,000.00 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Harrison Avenue and Cleve- | |
| land Avenue | 2,163.00 |
| Elm Street, Drain | 1,490.00 |
| Drain, Precinct 2 | 540.00 |
| Drain, River Street | 850.00 |
| Somerville Avenue | 889.60 |
| | ————— |
| | \$184,303.83 |

Charities

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries, Overseers of the | |
| Poor | \$600.00 |
| Salary Visitor and expenses . | 2,376.85 |
| Clerk and expenses | 350.00 |
| Outside Relief | 8,000.00 |
| “118”—Mothers’ Aid | 9,000.00 |
| Maintenance, Bra’tree Home | 6,200.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$26,526.85 |

Soldiers’ Benefits

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| State Aid and Soldiers’ | |
| Burials | \$1,175.00 |
| Soldiers’ Relief | 600.00 |
| Military Aid | 100.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$1,875.00 |

Education

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers’ Salaries | \$157,572.50 |
| General expenses, including | |
| repairs to buildings | 72,727.50 |
| High School Building | 40,000.00 |

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Penniman School Addition | 49,624.00 |
| Loan for School and other purposes | 4,800.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$324,723.70 |

Library

| | |
|--|------------|
| General expenses (plus fees, estimated) | \$4,500.00 |
| Salary Janitor | 300.00 |
| Repairs to Roof | 1,500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6,300.00 |

Recreation

| | |
|---|------------|
| Memorial Day, Post No. 87, G. A. R. | 200.00 |
| Memorial Day, Post No. 86, Parks and Playgrounds . . . | \$1,330.00 |
| Organized Play | 800.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,130.00 |

Unclassified

| | |
|---|------------|
| Miscellaneous | \$4,220.00 |
| A. L. | 100.00 |
| Memorial Day, Lennon-Mur- ray Post, V. F. W. | 100.00 |
| Employees' Compensation . . . | 2,200.00 |
| Insurance, Town Buildings . . | 3,952.98 |
| Engineering Department . . . | 2,700.00 |
| Signs and Signals | 1,438.70 |
| Repairs, Legion Building . . | 500.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 6,000.00 |
| Widening Tremont Street | |

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| and Central Avenue | 900.00 |
| Land Highway Purposes - | |
| May Avenue | 50.00 |
| Pilgrim Monument | 130.00 |
| Garage - Rear Town Hall . . | 2,500.00 |
| Zoning Committee | 1,700.00 |
| Land Damages - Washing- | |
| ton Street | 12,410.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$39,101.68 |

Public Service Enterprises

Electric Light Department:

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries | \$300.00 |
| Depreciation Fund | 11,613.55 |
| Unexpended balance, 1925 | 2,059.49 |
| Bonds and Interest (Loan) | 11,400.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$25,373.04 |

Water Department:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries | \$300.00 |
| Land, Standpipe, Mains, | |
| etc. | 70,000.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$70,300.00 |

Cemetery

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Plain Street | \$1,490.00 |
| Salary - Supt. | 500.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$1,990.00 |

Interest

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Interest on Bonds, Notes, Loans in anticipation of Revenue | \$15,968.75 |
|--|-------------|

Municipal Indebtedness

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Payment of Bonds and Notes | \$22,500.00 |
|----------------------------|-------------|

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Total appropriations at An- nual Town Meeting | \$834,518.67 |
|--|--------------|

Less amounts appropriated, but not raised by taxation:

Electric Light Department . \$25,373.04

Water Department 70,300.00

Excess and Deficiency:

Sidewalks Pr. 1 \$171.47

Hollis Ave., Highways . . 12,921.50

Wash. Street, (French's
Common 17,909.00

Cemetery 1,490.00

Collector - fees \$300.00

Town Clerk - fees 500.00

Military Aid (one half) . . 50.00

State Aid 1,175.00

Loans:

High School \$35,800.00

Penniman School Addition 45,000.00

\$210,990.01

Town Appropriations \$623,528.66

State Taxes:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| State Tax | 30,240.00 |
| State Highway Tax . . . | 6,141.00 |
| Metropolitan Parks Tax | 12,680.21 |
| Charles River Basin Tax . | 1,688.43 |
| Bridge Repairs (Across Charles River Basin) . | 2,098.35 |
| Bridge Construction (Wes- tern Ave. & Arsenal St.) | 150.26 |
| Bridge Construction (Wes- tern Avenue) | 241.65 |
| Municipal Lighting Plant . | 42.56 |
| Division Metropolitan Plan- ning | 266.04 |
| | \$53,548.50 |
| County Tax | \$25,219.11 |
| Overlay (current year) . . | \$21,532.60 |
| | \$723,828.87 |
| Estimated Revenue | \$110,609.33 |
| | |
| Net amount raised by tax- ation on polls and property | \$613,219.54 |
| Moth | \$1,042.25 |
| | \$614,261.79 |
| Additional Polls and Omit- ted Taxes committed Dec. | |
| 1926 | \$1,202.42 |
| | |
| | \$615,464.21 |

\$613,219.54 to be raised by taxation on 3614
 Polls and a valuation of \$18,475,352.00 makes the rate
 per \$1,000.00 valuation \$32.80.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THAYER
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

To the Citizens of Braintree:

The Trustees of Thayer Public Library submit herewith their report for the year 1926.

Extensive repairs have been made to the roof and exterior of the Library Building so that the building now appears to be in sound condition.

During the year, 870 new books were acquired and placed in circulation. This is an increase of 81 over the previous year but the available funds are not yet sufficient to adequately supply the reading public with the books which they desire.

An account of the expenditure of the appropriations made by the Town for the support of the Library will be found in the report of the Town Accounting Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. AVERY, Chairman,
JOHN W. HARDING, Sec. & Treas.
HERBERT C. KNEELAND,
AMY C. MANNING,
STACY B. SOUTHWORTH,
Trustees.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1926

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Number of Books in Library | 20,195 |
| Number of Books added 1926 | 870 |
| Total number of borrowers | 5,008 |
| Borrowers in East Braintree | 1,250 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Total Number of Books circulated in 1926 . . . | 38,123 |
| Number of Books circulated in East Braintree | 7,104 |
| Largest daily circulation, April 3, 1926 . . . | 320 |
| Average circulation | 129 plus |
| Per Cent of Fiction circulated | 67 plus |
| Total number of Days | 294 |

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF
THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1926.**

RECEIPTS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash on deposit, January 1, 1926 | \$913.31 |
| Income from Foundation Fund, | |
| year 1926 | 500.55 |
| Income from Caleb Stetson Fund, | |
| year 1926 | 126.25 |
| Income from Rachael R. Thayer | |
| Fund, year 1926 | 7.74 |
| Interest on bank balances | 17.25 |
| | ----- |
| | \$1,565.10 |

EXPENDITURES

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Rent, safe deposit box | \$10.00 |
| Treasurer's Surety Bond | 25.00 |
| Water | 3.00 |
| Light | 30.00 |
| Telephone | 26.35 |
| Wages | 30.00 |
| Insurance | 11.50 |
| Transporting Books | 24.00 |
| Printing and Supplies | 23.35 |
| Librarians Expenses | 17.82 |
| Cash on Deposit, Dec. 31, 1926 | 1,364.08 |
| | ----- |
| | \$1,565.10 |

**FUNDS AND ASSETS OF THE TRUSTEES OF
THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY**
as at December 31, 1926

FOUNDATION FUND

Principal Account:

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| \$7500 Fourth Liberty Loan | |
| 4 1/4 % (at cost) | \$6,479.09 |
| 5 Matured Shares, Braintree | |
| Co-Operative Bank | 1,000.00 |
| Deposit Weymouth Savings | |
| Bank | 2,520.91 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$10,000.00 |

CALEB STETSON FUND

Principal Account:

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| 5 Matured Shares, Braintree | |
| Co-Operative Bank | 1,000.00 |
| Deposit, Braintree Savings | |
| Bank | 1,500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,500.00 |

RACHAEL R. THAYER FUND

Principal Account:

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Deposit, Home Savings Bank, | |
| Boston | \$172.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$172.50 |

We have examined the account of John W. Harding, Treasurer of the Trustees of Thayer Public Library and find it correct, bills and receipts properly

vouchered. Balance of \$1,364.08 in State Street Trust Co., December 31, 1926. Also examined assets and income of the Foundation Fund, Caleb Stetson Fund and Rachael R. Thayer Fund, which we find correct.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Jan. 12, 1927. Auditors.

**NATHANIEL H. HUNT
LEGACY INCOME FUND**
JOHN W. HARDING, Treasurer.

INCOME

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash on deposit, Jan. 1, 1926 . . . | \$644.25 |
| Income received for year 1926 . . . | 1,097.38 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,741.63 |

EXPENDITURES

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Books & Papers | \$1,092.24 |
| Cash on deposit, Dec. 31, 1926 . . . | 649.39 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,741.63 |

We have examined the account of John W. Harding, Treasurer, showing income and receipts of Nathaniel H. Hunt Legacy Income Account and find it correct and properly voucherized. Balance on hand, December 31, 1926 at State Street Trust Co., Boston, \$649.39.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Jan. 14, 1926. Auditors.

Highway Department Report

To the Honorable Board of Highway Surveyors of the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my report of the work done by the Highway Department during the year 1926.

GENERAL

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriations | \$52,058.40 |
| Reserve Fund | 250.00 |
| Refunds | 374.60 |
| | ----- |
| | \$52,683.00 |
| Expended | \$52,632.18 |
| | ----- |
| Unexpended Balance | \$50.82 |

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR GENERAL REPAIRS TO HIGHWAYS

| Maintenance Superintendent | Labor | Hauling | Stock | Total |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Street Cleaning . | 1,214.49 | 225.28 | | 1,439.77 |
| Operating Quincy Ave. Bridge | 205.00 | 80.00 | | 285.00 |
| Drains and Catch Basins | 673.50 | | 669.57 | 1,347.07 |
| Tarvia, Sanding & Applying | 4,395.58 | 692.16 | 13,032.41 | 18,120.15 |
| Reshaping | 148.42 | | | 148.42 |
| Resurfacing | 6,147.86 | 1,273.75 | 6,413.07 | 13,834.68 |
| Insurance | | | | 1,017.94 |
| Guard Rails and Fences | 74.00 | | 70.15 | 144.15 |

BRIDGE REPAIRS

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Union Street | 497.77 |
| Adams Street | 121.44 |
| Pearl Street | 550.00 |
| | ----- |
| Total | \$52,632.18 |
| Snow Plowing, Etc. | |
| Street Lighting | \$9,225.00 |
| Appropriations | \$52,058.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 250.00 |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|----------|-------|------------|
| UNION STREET | | | | | |
| App. | \$1,391.78 | \$170.73 | | | \$4,142.95 |
| Expended . . . | \$5,718.39 | | | | \$5,705.46 |
| | 5,705.46 | | | | |
| Balance . . . | 12.93 | | | | |
| ELM & ADAMS STREETS | | | | | |
| Bal. 1924 . . . | \$1,679.71 | \$234.15 | | | |
| Expended . . . | \$2,995.48 | | | | |
| | 2,995.48 | | | | |
| Balance | | | | | |
| COMMERCIAL STREET | | | | | |
| App. | \$3,800.99 | \$584.50 | | | |
| Expended | \$22,955.00 | | | | |
| | 16,397.92 | | | | |
| Balance | \$6,557.08 | | | | |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|---------------------------|------------|----------|----------|-------|------------|
| POND STREET | | | | | |
| App. | \$1,508.01 | \$398.75 | | | \$4,039.91 |
| Expended . . . | | | | | \$5,946.67 |
| | | | | | |
| Balance | | | | | |
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| SHITH STREET | | | | | |
| App. | \$129.73 | \$60.00 | | | \$65.00 |
| Expended . . . | | | | | \$254.73 |
| | | | | | |
| Balance | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| WASHINGTON STREET (Pr. 1) | | | | | |
| App. | \$2,007.56 | | | | \$2,248.62 |
| Expended . . . | | | | | \$4,256.18 |
| | | | | | |
| Balance | | | | | |
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| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|--|-------------|---------|----------|-------|------------|
| WASHINGTON STREET (Capen's Bridge to Common St.) | | | | | |
| App. | \$1,386.00 | | | | \$1,363.59 |
| Expended | 1,363.69 | | | | |
| Balance | 22.31 | | | | |
| WASHINGTON STREET (Hollis Ave. to River St.) 253 | | | | | |
| App. | \$12,921.50 | | | | |
| Expended | 12,921.50 | | | | |
| Balance | 0 | | | | |
| WASHINGTON STREET (River St. to Storr's Sq.) | | | | | |
| App. | \$5,601.00 | | | | \$5,594.57 |
| Expended | 5,594.57 | | | | |
| Balance | 6.43 | | | | |

STORRS SQUARE

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| App. | \$1,577.00 | |
| Expended . . . | <u>1,576.33</u> | |
| Balance | .67 | |

SOMERVILLE AVE.

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|
| App. | \$1,187.31 | \$147.50 |
| Expended . . . | <u>1,187.31</u> | |
| Balance | | |

CENTER STREET

| | | |
|-----------------|---------------|---------|
| App. | \$446.92 | \$53.00 |
| Res. Fund . . . | <u>425.00</u> | |
| Expended . . . | | |
| Balance | | |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|--|-------------------|---------|----------|-------|--------|
| WIDENING TREMONT ST. & CENTRAL AVE. | | | | | |
| App. | \$810.00 | | | | |
| Expended . . . | 548.09 | | | | |
| Balance | <u>\$261.91</u> | | | | |
| FRANKLIN STREET - Sidewalks | | | | | |
| | \$124.18 | | \$87.50 | | |
| Bal. 1926 . . . | \$1,642.53 | | | | |
| Expended . . . | 499.68 | | | | |
| Balance | <u>\$1,142.85</u> | | | | |
| Sidewalks - Pr. 1, (Bal. 1925) | | | | | |
| Balance | \$171.47 | | | | |
| Expended . . . | 171.47 | | | | |
| Balance | <u>\$171.47</u> | | | | |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|-------|------------|
| HIGHWAYS (Private Work) | | \$313.15 | | | |
| App. | \$2,000.00 | | | | |
| Expended | 1,057.87 | | | | |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | | | | |
| Balance | \$942.13 | | | | |
| SIDEWALKS (\$2,500 each) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 256 |
| Pr. 1 | \$2,500.00 | | | | |
| Pr. 2 | 2,481.00 | | | | |
| Pr. 3 | 2,447.25 | | | | |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | | | | |
| App. | \$7,500.00 | | | | |
| Expended | 7,428.25 | | | | |
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| Balance | \$71.75 | | | | |
| DRAINAGE (Franklin St.) | | | | | |
| App. | \$1,250.00 | | | | |
| Expended | 874.19 | | | | |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | | | | |
| Balance | \$375.81 | | | | |
| | | | | | \$874.19 |
| | | | | | \$1,057.87 |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|------------|-------|--------|
| DRAINAGE (Elm St.) | | | | | |
| App. | | | \$1,490.00 | | |
| Expended | ... | | 1,490.00 | | |
| Balance | ... | | | | |

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|---------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| DRAIN (Middle St. to River St., | | | |
| Monatiquot River) | | | |
| App. | \$850.00 | | |
| Expended . . . | 835.26 | | |
| | — | | |
| Balance | \$14.74 | | |
| | | | |
| DRAIN (R. R. Crossing) | | | |
| App. | \$540.00 | | |
| Expended . . . | 529.60 | | |
| | — | | |
| Balance | \$10.40 | | |

| | Labor | Hauling | Contract | Stock | Totals |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|----------|-------|------------|
| NEW EQUIPMENT | | | | | |
| App. | \$8,519.66 | | | | \$5,800.00 |
| Expense | 8,512.66 | | | | 919.66 |
| | <hr/> | | | | 843.00 |
| Balance | \$7.00 | | | | 750.00 |
| | | | | | <hr/> |
| | | | | | \$8,312.66 |
| ADAMS STREET | No expenditure | Appropriation | | | 25 |
| HARRISON AVE. | No expenditure | Appropriation | | | 88 |
| NORFOLK SQUARE | | | | | 2,163.00 |
| | | | | | \$500.00 |
| | | | | | 500.00 |

Equipment owned by the Town:

- 24 Acres of land, located on Union Street.
- Town Barns, Buildings, located on Union Street.
- 3 Dump Trucks (2 Whites) (1 Republic)
- 1 Dump Truck, Ton and Half International.
- 1 Cressy Spraying Outfit, complete.
- 1 Austin Bucket Loader.
- 1 Austin Cube Mixer.
- 1 Buffalo Steam Roller (18 tons)
- 1 Buffalo Steam Roller (7 tons)
- 1 Adams Grader.
- 1 Gasolene Pump.
- 1 New England Crusher, complete.
- 1 Spring Tooth Arrow.
- 1 Set Drain Pipe Cleaner.
- 1 Three-ton Falls.
- 1 Two-ton Falls.
- 1 Van Dorn Drill.
- 1 Erie Steam Shovel, Type A, complete with ditching bucket.
- 1 Portable blacksmith's forge.
- 1 Air Compressor, complete with jack hammer.
- 2 Air plug hammer drills.
- 1 Auto - Dodge (Supt.)
- Kettle.
- Tractor Snow Plow.
- Cement Mixer.
- 1 Fordson Tractor, with spare wheels.
- 3 Snow Plows (Trucks)
- 20 Sidewalk Snow Plows.

Loaned to the Town of Braintree Highway Department, by the State Highway Department—1 Dyer Hot mix plant, complete, conditions being that the Town returns same when called for by the State Department and kept in repair by the Town while in use here.

MAINTENANCE

Maintenance consists principally of patching the seal coating and water bound macadam, gravel, and dirt roads. This work is an absolute necessity, and owing to the increase travel in traffic through the Town, there is of course an expense goes with it, and should not be overlooked at the Annual Town Meetings.

DRAINAGE

The work of drains conveying surface water is on the increase every year owing to the new developments of land, in all three sections of the Town; this last year drains have been run on the following streets:

River Street—from Middle Street to Monatiquot River.

Elm Street.

R. R. Crossing to Monatiquot River.

Franklin Street—Azel Road to Sunset Lake.

GRANTING OF PERMITS

Following number of Permits have been issued to dig trenches in the Streets during the year:

230 Permits granted the Old Colony Gas Co.

15 Permits granted the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.

Permits granted the Water Department.

Permits will not be granted to any company before March 1, 1927, owing to the danger of ditches caving in when the frost comes out of the ground.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1927

I recommend that the following appropriations be made for repairs to Highways and Bridges:

Repairs

| | |
|---|-------------|
| General | \$ 1,400.00 |
| Street Cleaning | 2,000.00 |
| Quincy Avenue Bridge | 300.00 |
| Tarvia, Sanding & Applying | 16,000.00 |
| Resurfacing | 12,000.00 |
| Drains & Catch Basins | 2,000.00 |
| Guard Rails & Fences | 1,500.00 |
| Sidewalk Construction (\$2,500.00 each Pr.) | 7,500.00 |
| Snow Plowing and Sanding | 8,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 11,376.00 |
| Insurance | 981.38 |

New Equipment

2 Trucks for replacement of Old Trucks.

1 Tractor and Snow Plow.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Precinct One:

Pond Street, from Glendale Road to Town Street.

Washington Street, from Central Avenue to Monati-quot School.

Union Street, from Washington Street to Middle St.

Pond Street, from Cioppa Farm (Drainage) to river bank.

Precinct Two:

Independence Avenue, from Capen's Bridge to Quincy Line.

Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to Elm Street.

Hollingsworth Avenue, from Turner's house to West St.

May Avenue, from Washington Street to Hollis Ave.

Morrison Road, from Adams Street (Drainage) to

400 LIN. ft. North-east.
Hollingsworth Avenue, from Turner' house to 500 LIN.
ft. West.

Cleveland Avenue, from Grossman Road to 1100 LIN.
ft. South.

Precinct Three:

Norfolk Square, Repairs.

Union Street, from Hillside Road to Middle Street.

Wellington Street, from Shaw Street to 350 ft. East.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED AUSTERBERRY,
Superintendent of Streets.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
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OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Secretary

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Office Hours

Eight to twelve, one to five, on days when schools are
in session. Saturdays, nine to twelve.

Meetings of the School Committee

Second Monday evening of each month at eight o'clock
in the Town House, Washington Street, South
Braintree.

*Deceased.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

January 3, 1927.

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree:

Your Committee in submitting its annual report will deal primarily with budget figures, with an explanation concerning the increases requested.

The educational features pertaining to the School Department have been quite fully covered in the report of the Superintendent and the several department heads, all of which reports have been accepted by the Committee and wil act as a component part of this report.

Our schools continue to grow from year to year, and must of necessity result in increased expenditures. The Committee is endeavoring in every way possible to hold expenses within reasonable bounds without sacrificing the educational results which it feels that its citizens expect for their boys and girls.

The Committee faces next summer an extremely busy time. We will then be moving into the new High School preparatory to opening classes there in September. We might incidentally state that we expect to hold the High School graduation excercises in the new auditorium in June.

A certain amount of work is necessary in the Monatiquot School to prepare this building for grade school use in September.

The addition to the Penniman School will also be ready for School Department use in September, and the additional class rooms provided at this building

will be greatly appreciated not only by this Department, but by teachers and pupils as well.

In converting the Monatiquot School into a grade school building, the principal changes involved are converting the chemistry laboratory into a teacher's room and the installation of toilet facilities. Room 8-A converted into a nurse's room which will also necessitate toilet installations. The domestic science room made over into a kindergarten room with certain toilet facilities. The building needs about forty new window sashes, and entire building should be repainted inside. The State also requests that all class room doors be adjusted to swing out into the corridor rather than into the class room. These are the principal items, and the approximate figures covering what it will cost to make these changes will be submitted in time for the Finance Committee to consider.

At the Thomas A. Watson School something ought to be done this year to grade the grounds, as well as fencing the property on the Quincy Avenue side. The Committee has prepared plans and estimates covering the cost of doing such work.

At the Jonas Perkins School, it is the opinion of the Committee that this building borders on dangerous highways from a traffic stand-point, and should be fenced, and it has obtained a very attractive figure for doing this work.

At the Noah Torrey School the Committee is still of the opinion that to such unexpended balance as remains with the School Buildings Committee there should be added a sum sufficient to properly grade both buildings as one unit in accordance with a plan which was submitted last year.

FINANCIAL

| Expenditure 1926 | Budget 1927 | Increase |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| \$ 7,175.10 General Control | \$ 7,720.00 | \$ 544.90 |
| 156,650.50 Teachers' Sal's | 175,070.00 | 18,419.50 |
| 12,255.60 Text Books and Supplies | 12,000.00 | No Increase |
| 21,316.06 Operating | 26,375.00 | 5,058.94 |
| 13,422.25 Maintenance | 14,000.00 | 577.75 |
| 14,215.06 Auxiliary | 16,850.00 | 2,634.94 |
| 1,852.47 Outlay | 7,100.00 | 5,247.53 |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| \$226,887.04 | \$259,115.00 | \$ 32,483.56 |
| 22,604.60 Actual Credits | Deduct | 255.60 |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| \$204,282.44 Net | | \$ \$32,227.96 |
| | Estimated Credits | 22,000.00 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | Net Increase | \$ 10,227.96 |

EXPLANATION OF INCREASE

General Control:

Under general control is classed department expenses. The increase shown covers certain increases in salaries, telephone, and other general expenses of the department.

Teacher's Salaries:

(Covers 6 principals, 18 high school teachers, 70 grade teachers, 2 continuation school teachers, 7 special teachers, making a total of 103 teachers on our staff at the present writing.)

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Present Contract | \$165,050.00 |
| 1926 Expenditures | 156,650.50 |

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| Present contracts excess over 1926 expen- | |
| ditures | \$ 8,399.50 |

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|--|-------------|
| Increase in personnel on account of new teachers for high school, including | |
| woman physical director, and increase in grade school personnel | 6,840.00 |
| Sick Leave | 1,000.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$16,239.50 |

The item of \$8,399.50 is the remaining part of the basic appropriation made at the last annual Town Meeting covering a nominal increase in Teachers' Salaries as well as increase in the personnel of the department. The item of present salary increase is only a normal one to care for increase to certain teachers whose excellent services merit some financial consideration. No general salary increase is contemplated this year.

We might explain the item covering the increase in personnel as being due to the fact that in the new High School it will be necessary to add to our force four regular teachers. In the grade schools it will be necessary to provide for a principal together with three grade teachers at the Monatiquot School, and further we should provide for two first grade teachers to care for the situation in the Thomas A. Watson and Abraham Lincoln Schools. The figures indicate that the first grade classes in the above buildings next year will be of such size that it will be necessary to institute two first grades in each building. The Committee also feels it absolutely necessary to have at its disposal a woman physical director in connection with the High School and grade school work. The need of such a person is really indispensable, particularly in working with the girls in the gymnasium at the High School.

On account of the increased personnel of this department, expenditure for sick leave has been increased, as reported above, and as stated in our report of last year, this program covers an existing agreement between the Committee and its teachers, which was promulgated in 1922.

Text Books and Supplies:

The appropriation which has been set aside for this purpose has not materially changed in the last two years, and covers the cost of text books and other school room supplies for high and grade pupils as well as the teachers' supplies. In consideration of the size of our present school system the amount requested is not at all excessive, and with the instituting of the Monatiquot School as a grade school, as well as the opening of the new High School, it is to be expected that demands will come into the department for new text books and other supplies.

Operating:

Under the heading of operating there is classed all expenditures for janitors' salaries, expenditures for fuel, as well as janitors' supplies. The increase under this heading is explainable in that it will be necessary to provide for additional janitorial service at the new High School. The Committee has given this matter very careful thought, and based on the experience of other school departments, in properly caring for a high school such as the size of ours, it ought to have at its disposal not less than three, one to act as chief engineer, with two assistants. The department wishes to grant certain nominal increases to our present force. It feels that they have rendered very satisfactory service for nominal salaries, and should receive some financial consideration.

The question of fuel expense is one which at this writing the department cannot foretell to any degree of certainty, or just what prices will prevail at the time it contracts for its fuel, which it does in May of each year. We will need not less than 1,000 tons of soft coal, and 175 tons of hard coal to care for our buildings, and we have set aside a sum which we believe to be sufficient to enable us to contract for coal at advantageous prices in May.

Janitors' supplies will be increased due to the operation of the new High School and the establishing of another grade unit. Our principal items of expenditure under janitors' supplies are for light, water, toilet supplies, caring for cesspools, and other miscellaneous items.

Maintenance:

Under maintenance are chargeable all items such as repairs, painting, and general up-keep of the school property, including the salary and expenses of the department's repair man. The department feels that since it has had at its disposal a man to look after the many repairs in our schools it has certainly saved the Town many hundreds of dollars. His work merits financial consideration.

When one considers that the valuation of our buildings and equipment, not including the new High School, is estimated at not less than \$952,000.00, the amount requested for maintenance and up-keep is a conservative one, representing as it does approximately one and one-half per cent ($1\frac{1}{2}\%$).

Auxiliary:

Expenditures for health remain at a normal figure, the only material increase is in the salary for the nurse.

The situation as regards transportation is such that the department feels obliged to engage the service of another bus. We now have three, and they are over-crowded, and in the interests of safety alone we should have at our disposal one other bus. We are at present transporting 122 high school pupils and 152 grade school pupils, divided as follows: 29 from Granite Street beyond the Five Corners, and 123 from Liberty Street and the Highlands Section.

We are also transporting by trolley 17 high school pupils who come principally from the Braintree Highlands Section, a total of 291.

Expenditures for tuition may be best explained as covering tuition costs of pupils attending trade schools in Quincy and Boston, as well as continuation schools in Weymouth, Quincy, Boston, and Brockton, together with the Norfolk County Training School. Whatever moneys are expended for this purpose the State reimburses the Town fifty per cent.

High School miscellaneous expenditures cover the cost of high school clerk, graduation expenses, stationery and postage, as well as expenses for operating the cafeteria in the High School. The principal increase under this heading is occasioned by the fact that it will be necessary to provide for a director at the high school cafeteria with two assistants.

The grade school miscellaneous expenses cover such items as service at noon luncheons, expenses of graduation, as well as transportation costs for training teachers from the Bridgewater Normal School. We explain "service at noon luncheons" as follows: It is customary in our grade schools where pupils bring their luncheon they should be subject to some super-

vision and care, and teachers are designated to perform this work, for which they receive additional compensation.

Under outlay are chargeable any and all expenditures for new equipment of whatever type or character, but replacements are not included. There is an increase here with the explanation that in the new High School it will be necessary to purchase certain laboratory equipment, also additional typewriters for the Commercial Department, and further, in view of the fact that the department will have at its disposal a room set aside as the High School Library, it desires to equip this library with reference and other books which will be of inestimable value to both teachers and pupils.

The department also requests the reappropriation of the three thousand dollars voted at the last annual Town Meeting to furnish and equip the Penniman School. This equipment was not purchased this year as the building was not ready.

In closing its report the Committee wishes to extend its appreciation and thanks to its Superintendent and his able corps of principals and teachers for the conscientious work they are performing, and the department sincerely feels that their continued efforts cannot help but maintain our educational system on a high plane. To the citizens, we invite constructive criticism on any matters pertaining to your schools. We are your servants, endeavoring to do the best that can possibly be done with your liberal appropriations to give to your boy and girl that which is rightfully theirs from a public school standpoint. The regular meetings of the Committee come on the second Monday evening of every month, and you are most welcome if you have any problems which you would like to bring before it.

The Committee pauses as this report goes to press to take recognition of the fact that one of its members, Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, has been unable to be present at its meetings for the past several months on account of serious illness, and for that reason the report does not bear her signature. It is needless to state her presence has been missed at the Committee meetings where we received the counsel and advice of one whose experience in school affairs through a long term of years has been of inestimable value to this Department and the Town as well.

Respectfully submitted,

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
ALIDA N. STEVENS,
FRANKLIN H. MERRIAM,
RALPH B. WOODSUM,
HENRY D. HIGGINS,

School Committee.

**REPORT OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

January 3, 1927.

To the School Committee:

I herewith present the Superintendent of School's report for the year 1926 with the usual other reports in this department.

The policy of utilizing various standardized tests for purposes of determining individual abilities and accomplishments, and finding out specific weaknesses in order that these weaknesses may receive more particular attention and more extensive and intensive drill has been continued and is of undoubted value. The work of our special teachers continues to show its effect not only in improving the quality and quantity of work done by many children, but it is also gradually reducing the number of children needing this special attention.

The physical welfare and betterment of our public school children is year after year being given more and more attention, and there are many evidences of its effectiveness. Our school physicians assisted by the school nurse make the physical examinations of all school children, and now we have the advantages to be derived from the work of the physical director. Next year with the gymnasium and shower baths which will be in service in the new High School building, it will be possible to do most effective work and at a time in the growth and development of the youth in this community when such training is most needed, and when results are likely to be of inestimable value in the development of desirable physical, moral, and mental habits and capabilities. The work of our physical director who began his work in the schools this year,

has so soon given evidence of having satisfactory results, and suggests possibilities for the future which are most pleasing.

The development of our instrumental work in music has brought forth the greatest compliment from the public possible, namely, that of frequent calls for service by our High School Orchestra from local organizations, and when the same organization has called for service a second time, it is quite evident that satisfactory service was rendered. It is hoped that the High School Band recently organized may meet with the hearty favor, support and good-will of the Town, and find frequent opportunity for rendering satisfactory service in the community.

Our teachers have had during the year, a time allotment indicated for every subject given them, together with a list of those books in the various subjects in each grade which should be available for use, all of which tends to make more definite and exact the requirements to be met in the work of each subject in every grade. This material has been supplemented by brief outlines indicating ways and means of attaining the objects desired in some subjects, and as fast as possible material is being prepared in the other subjects so that ultimately a complete course of study will be in definite written form and in the hands of every teacher. It is not intended that this material shall be in great detail, but only general, sufficiently definite to lead to a greater degree of clearness in regard to "The What, When, and How" of our curriculum.

The opening of the Noah Torrey Primary Building in April required some readjustments and increase in the teaching force, which with the opening of schools in September was extended still further because of the necessity of continuing to use the three rooms in

the two portable buildings located on the school grounds. The increased corps of teachers had to be still further extended to prepare for the enlarged Pennington School. When this building is completed it should be much appreciated by teachers and pupils, for the conditions under which school work is being carried on there this year are most trying, and yet every one seems to be most philosophical and is "making the best of it".

Three years ago at this time the School Department entered the Thomas A. Watson School with 257 children, and today there are 356. This building is now somewhat more than well-filled, and next September it is certain to be seriously over-crowded. Some relief in the future might be secured by enlarging the Abraham Lincoln School, but right here we are likely to find the enlarged building needed in three or four years without any thought of the possibility of securing relief for the Thomas A. Watson School. I most sincerely and earnestly hope that the lesson is learned and that the Town may profit from now on by its own experiences as it may well do. If it were not for our new High School, and thus making available for grade use the Monatiquot School next September, a serious condition would still exist at the Noah Torrey School, but the relief thus afford should make the conditions quite satisfactory, but still rather too small for any considerable growth which is apt to come. There seems to be a little appreciation of the growth in our school membership. We closed school in June with a few under 2,500, and in September we had over 2,800 in our schools. The Town was ranked in population as the 58th largest community, including cities, in the State in the last returns of the State Department of Education, but the average membership in our schools was greater than two cities in the State, and greater

than four of the towns having a larger population, whereas but one town, Saugus, with a smaller population had a larger school membership. The problems in connection with the provision of adequate and suitable accomodations for school children is bound to continually be before you as a consequence of growing, and procrastination is bound to result in the accumulation of a demand to satisfy which will create a large financial burden. Something should be done every year to meet the demands made by growth. Braintree is no longer a small town. Of the 316 towns in this State there are but 18 with a larger population according to the census of 1925, and it is my opinion that several of those 18 would now find themselves with a population smaller than that of Braintree.

The School Committee has clearly stated and explained the financial expenditures and financial requirements for 1927, but a consideration of our relative standing in the State may be of interest and value. There are 355 school departments in the State divided in four groups: Group I, being cities; Group II, towns of over 5,000 population maintaining a high school, Gorup III, same sized towns not maintaining a high school; and Group IV, towns of less than 5,000 population. There are 39 cities in Group I, and Braintree is in Group II, which has 79 towns. Our per pupil costs for the school year of 1924-1925 was \$76.20, whereas for the last school year of 1925-1926 is was \$76.01, which shows a reduction in per pupil costs of 19 cents, so that it may be seen that although the necessary expenditures for the School Department may be constantly growing much larger annually, yet by effective planning and management we are conducting our schools from a comparative point of view economically. Of the 79 towns in our group, 52 are spending more per pupil, and only 26 are spending less. The

average expenditure per pupil for Group I is \$6.71 more than it is here in Braintree. During the last school year while the average in Group II increased \$2.53, Braintree showed a decrease of 19 cents.

Out of our corps of teachers there were at the close of the school year in June but 11 resignations, but because of "leave of absence" granted and the necessary increase in the number of teachers, it was necessary to secure 20 new teachers, every one of whom has proven herself most effective in her work, and a congenial co-worker in the department, so that in no way has the fine spirit of the department been lessened in any degree. I doubt if any school system has a finer spirit or better team work than is shown by the teachers in the Town of Braintree. I hope the citizens will in every way possible show their appreciation of the whole-hearted, earnest and conscientious efforts of their teachers to do the most possible for the best interest of the children with the facilities placed at their disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

C. EDWARD FISHER.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TO THE

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: Herewith is submitted the report of the High School for the past year.

ATTENDANCE

The following figures on membership for the present year to date may be of interest:

| | Boys | Girls | Total |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Post Graduates | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Seniors | 24 | 55 | 79 |
| Juniors | 42 | 66 | 108 |
| Sophomores | 48 | 59 | 107 |
| Freshmen | 74 | 63 | 137 |
| Totals | 191 | 244 | 435 |

The total registration, to date, of 435 is twenty-six more than last year. The size of the present eighth grades would indicate a great increase in the number of freshmen for September 1927. In addition to this, the opening of a new building always gives an impetus to high school education, consequently it is expected that the registration in September, 1927, will be very materially larger than the present number.

Attention is called to two things in the above classification, namely, there are more in the junior class than in the sophomore class, which, as an entering class last year, was the smallest for several years;

and the freshman boys out-number freshman girls, which is an unusual situation in the average high school today.

Last year's graduating class of sixty-seven was the largest in the history of the school.

The percentage of attendance for the school year 1925-1926 was 95.36. This represents considerable improvement over the previous year. Instead of an average of thirteen days' absence for each pupil, as of a few years ago, those figures for last year mean an average of about eight days for each pupil. It is felt that the bus service established last year has had a considerable part in this improvement. The bus service extension last September, to include all East Braintree pupils residing at a distance of two miles or more from the school, has had the expected results. The location of the new high school is such as to require some reorganizations in this service when the building is opened, to correspond with the new two-mile limits.

TEACHING FORCE

At the present time there are four new teachers in our teaching force. Only two vacancies occurred last spring due to resignations, however, for two of those who did not return are on leave of absence and will be back in September. One of those is studying in France.

Through the generosity of the voters of the town we have reached the point where we can pay our teachers enough to hold those whom we desire, except in the case of the unusual offer from larger places. This situation is as it should be, for the teacher

who is successful here is worth just as much to Braintree as to any other community. A greater degree of stability in the teaching force means better quality of the work done as a whole.

EXTRA-CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

Every year it is becoming more and more accepted as a sound educational policy that extra-curricula activities have an important part in all schools, more especially those of higher grades. Care must be taken that too great emphasis not be put on such activities, and to constantly keep before the pupils the fact that academic work should always come first. When so defined and accepted, there is no question as to the value of such outside activities as aids in the development of the characteristics which make for good citizenship.

In point of games won by our athletic teams the past year, the seasons have not been over-successful, but from the standpoint of good sportsmanship and physical development of those taking part they have been. Football, class basketball, and baseball for the boys, and basketball and hockey for the girls, have served as an incentive for a larger number of boys and girls than ever to take part in those sports, and the value of any sport is measured not by the number of games won, but by the number of individuals who take an active and beneficial part therein. In my opinion, however, athletics in many places receive too much attention as compared to other activities. Almost every school has its athletic teams. This is as it should be, but it is only one phase in all-round development, therefore it would seem that the boy or girl who help to publish a successful school paper, take part in an interscholastic debate, or present a musical program

before the public, is deserving of as much praise as one who helps carry out an athletic schedule. In accordance with this idea, therefore, it is hoped that a system can be satisfactorily worked out whereby those who participate in other activities than athletics may receive credit toward the privilege of wearing a school letter.

The school paper, the "Wampatuck", has had its usual successful season. In the past three years it has won the distinction of twice having been judged the best, and once the second-best all-round paper published by any of the more than twenty schools belonging to the Southeastern Massachusetts League of School Publications. For the past two years, we have also won the first place for the best formal essay published, in each case one of the Commencement parts.

The popularity of the orchestra work has increased to such an extent that it is fast becoming necessary to limit the number for lack of room. At the present time there are about forty boys and girls who are actively interested in the work. They have played on several occasions before outside organizations, including one broadcast from the Houghton and Dutton studio of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company. The new music books recently purchased have added to the interest in the work, and make it possible for the orchestra to give a complete evening's entertainment of selections not too worn. Selections are as far removed as possible from the modern "jazz music", the idea being to give the orchestra members something worth while, and create in the audience a taste for the better class of music. The importance of this work can hardly be over-estimated. Whenever we see a group of pupils who show such an interest in, and responsibility toward any undertaking as have

our orchestra members, we are sure that something worth while has been accomplished, and that the Town of Braintree must be the better for such boys and girls.

The glee club has also done excellent work. Co-operating with the orchestra, they presented last spring a very successful musical program, open to the public, the proceeds of which went into the Musical Instrument Fund.

The Webster Debating Club is continuing its excellent work of past years. Inter-class debates are held before assemblies, and in February and March each year debates are held with other schools. Last year Braintree lost only one out of five debates, the other four being unanimous decisions in Braintree's favor. The training in public speaking, as well as in logic, is of inestimable value to those taking part.

CHANGES IN CURRICULUM

The only change in the past year was the introduction of a course in business training, introduced primarily for those pupils who do not intend to continue high school for more than one or two years. Very little change in curriculum is anticipated for the coming year. It is hoped to introduce a course in Problems of Democracy, open to the seniors. The work under the physical directors will be wholly new so far as the high school is concerned, each pupil receiving two periods a week in the school gymnasium. To provide for this it is probable that some five-period subjects will be cut to four. In order to provide for a definite period for extra-curricula work without taking it from regular classes it is planned to add an extra period to one day each week. The school day will also be somewhat lengthened.

NEED OF PARENTS' CO-OPERATION

Nowhere in the whole school life is the lack of teamwork so apparent as between the parents and teachers of high school pupils. It cannot be due to indifference and lack of interest on the part of the average parents toward their children's work. Therefore it must be due to lack of knowledge as the true situation. There is no time in the school life of the pupil when the parents' help is quite so necessary as during the high school period, especially the first year, when the pupil is forced to completely reorganize his plan all his studies during spare periods of the day, he is forced to give a considerable amount of time to home of work. Instead of being able to prepare practically study. This time varies, depending upon the course he is following, but in no case should be less than two hours daily if he hopes to succeed. The average pupil has only one spare period each day, fifty minutes in length, but even in the case of the pupil who has two, totalling one hundred minutes, it can be readily seen that an average of twenty-five minutes spent on each subject would not be sufficient time in which to prepare them well. We have no single pupil in high school who can do all his work in school hours, and the average pupil can not be expected to do even passable work if he devotes less than two hours a day to outside study. The lack of co-operation on the part of parents is nowhere more forcefully illustrated than in the failure this year, as of last, to return the authorized signature cards which were mailed to all parents and guardians in September. At the present time about twenty-five per cent of these cards are still missing.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Plans are under way to resurrect the former alumni association. With the opening of the new building near at hand there are many things which an active association of graduates could do. It is hoped and expected that when plans for the association are completed and made known to the graduates there will be a hearty response.

HIGH SCHOOL BANKING

A school savings bank, to be known as the "Braintree High School Savings Bank", will be put into operation soon after the Christmas vacation. The object of this project is to encourage thrift among high school pupils and at the same time provide practical experience in savings bank work for those who conduct the banking. It is planned to conduct this on as practical a basis as possible, so that our pupils may become familiar with the routine of savings banks and incidentally acquire the habit of thrift. An advisory committee, consisting of the Superintendent of Schools, Principal of the High School, and Head of the Commercial Department, will have general oversight of the banking, which will be directly supervised by the Head of the Commercial Department. The officers of the bank, selected from the student body, consist of a president, vice presidents, clerk, treasurer, assistant treasurers, and board of trustees. Deposits will be made in regular form during specified banking hours. Deposits are to be recorded by capable students, who will be required to prove their work each banking day. Students who do this work receive practical experience that will be of great value to them in their work after graduation. The Braintree High School Savings Bank will provide a safe, convenient,

and practical place for the high school students to start to save money. Money thus saved will provide for expenses which will be incurred in the near future, such as graduation, and later on, for college expenses. Many a high school graduate has been deprived of a college education due to lack of sufficient funds, an obstacle which could have been overcome by banking some of the money he earned during his high school days. It is also equally as important that the rich man's son learn the habit of thrift and foresight which his parents must have had before him. It is hoped that the parents of the high school students will encourage them to open savings accounts in the high school savings bank.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

During the past year, as in previous years, a number of graduates of the school have been given help either in securing their first positions or in securing promotions. Incidentally, this service, which is in charge of the Commercial Department, has worked to the advantage of many local and Boston firms. Others will find it of advantage to get in touch with the Braintree High School Employment Service when in need of either beginners or experienced workers. Our recommendations are conservative, and we believe that we can save business men the expense of trying out several employees in several cases before they secure the right one for the job. The service will increase in value to the town as the patronage of graduates and business men increases.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

Although there are many respects in which the new high school will be an incentive to education, there is no one thing which will be of more advantage or

offer more opportunities than the library. For sometime the lack of library facilities has been the weakest spot in our system. Today it is not enough to limit our study in any subject to one or two formal textbooks. There must be at hand a large amount of ready material on every subject. Only in this way can pupils be trained in independent thinking and how to get the most from their courses. The Public Library has always been very willing to co-operate with us, and has many times helped us in unusual ways, such as getting books from the Boston City Library for debates, etc., but there are a large number of pupils who come by bus who have not the time after school to make use of the Public Library facilities, and who could use the school library in spare periods. One of the finest aims of education is the development in every student of a real interest in good books, and a knowledge of how to use them to best advantage. This work can only go on properly under the guidance of a trained librarian.

A list of books has been carefully prepared by the teachers and from a list recommended by the Department of Education. We can not expect in a single year to reach the standard set by the State of having at least four volumes for each pupil registered, but a good start can be made, and it is hoped that the item in the budget calling for an appropriation for library books will meet with favorable action at the hands of the Appropriation Committee.

The following quotation from the Journal of the National Education Association emphasizes the need for literary facilities: "In this struggle for universal education the school library is the first point of attack. It lies at the very root of the new pedagogy of individual differences. It is the heart of any progress of socialized effort and individual responsibility. The

new curriculum now being forged in a thousand towns and cities cries for tools of learning which shall be as good in their fields as implements of modern industry are in theirs. If the new urge toward education as a life-long project is to become general, the child must develop in the school library attitudes, habits, and knowledge of intellectual resources which will lead him to use public libraries and to build up his own. As the world advances, the will to learn, and the technique of learning are needed more and more by the masses. In proportion as an individual has or lacks the philosophic-scientific attitude toward knowledge and life, he wins in the struggle to make the most of himself."

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES L. JORDAN.

REPORT OF CONTINUATION SCHOOL

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my report of the Boys' Department of the Braintree Continuation School.

The enrollment from the opening of school in September to date is seventy-nine boys. This is an increase over last year, probably due to the fact that Braintree is growing, also competition is becoming so keen in some industries that more minor labor is being used.

Many of the market gardeners are increasing their

business and give employment to many boys from planting time until harvest.

From questioning the boys I find the majority would like to go into building trades. There are very few opportunities in Braintree for a boy under sixteen years of age to learn a trade, or get into a business where there is any definite line of promotion, consequently most of the boys are just holding their present jobs until they become sixteen.

In our school shop the work has been much the same as in previous years. During September we built a twelve foot row boat, which interested the boys a great deal. I find that the larger the project, the greater the interest. Many boys made smoking stands, table lamps, and radio cabinets to take home as Christmas presents for some member of the family.

The following subjects are taken up in our academic classes, shop mathematics, English, citizenship, and Hygiene.

In closing I wish to thank all those who have co-operated with us in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD W. JOHNSON.

REPORT OF CONTINUATION SCHOOL

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my second annual report for the Girls' Department of the Braintree Continuation School.

The classes began in September with a total enrollment of fifty-three girls. The girls have been more regular in attendance than last year, therefore we have been able to accomplish more.

With the assistance of the citizens of Braintree who furnished materials and jars, we were able to double last years canning. This work included jelly, conserves, relishes, and grape juice, as well as the whole fruits and vegetables. Other work in cooking comprises the planning and cooking of practical meals which are served to the Hollis School teachers at cost.

The work in sewing is practical and suited to the needs of the pupils. We have completed simple undergarments, and have drafted patterns for night-gowns, kimonos, bungalow aprons, and simple cotton dresses. The girls also made and covered with cretonne, boxes for their sewing supplies. At Christmas time we made various attractive gifts which included rompers for the younger brothers and sisters. We are to make silk dresses in the spring.

In the academic work we study English, Hygiene and Civics, in order to lay a foundation for healthier homes and happy, thrifty citizens. The entire work is of a most practical, directly useful and general improvement nature.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH P. COBB.

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report of the art work of the Braintree Schools.

The art training of the public schools is a practical training, touching closely the needs of the community; it aims to cultivate taste and apply that taste to the homes, the dress, and the business of those it trains.

A mistaken idea is to hold that art is the business only of the artist. As a matter of fact, principles of art touch every individual and are used more or less consciously by all. The housewife must decorate her home. She may use the principles of decoration well or ill, but use them she must, in the adornment of her house, in her dress, and even in the flowers which she plants in her garden or hangs in her window boxes.

The business man cannot escape from the use of art's principles for a single day. If he would "dress" a shop window, get up a circular, design a letterhead, or arrange a newspaper advertisement, he must consciously or unconsciously use the rules which art has devised in design, color and arrangement.

Art is not for "the few". It is for "the many", for the many have to use it. It is not held that the training of the public schools will produce artists, but it is held that it will raise the standards of taste throughout the community. We cannot have people with high standards without an effect on trade. People who know better things, demand better things. We

buy the thing that looks the best; and looking best is not a matter of accident. Besides the relationship of art teaching to the business interest of the community, there is a civic value in art training. One cannot raise standards of taste without raising standards of appreciation. The man or woman who strives to make his house better takes pride in having his town better. Every civic "booster" knows that there is nothing which stimulates the interest and pride of citizens more than a consciousness of the growing beauty of the town in which they live. Thus the spiritual value of art training goes with its practical value. One cannot change materially the taste of a people already grown up. One must begin with the children in the public schools.

For two years the material in three art text books has been used to promote the aims of the art instruction in the Braintree Schools. These art books were explained in a previous report. Recently a Teachers' Manual has been added to the art reference books. Properly used this manual will simplify the problems of conducting the lesson and directing the class while in action. It will be of assistance in making the fundamentals of art more intelligible. And will make clear that the same thought and effort, the same pedagogical principles need to be applied to teaching Drawing and Art as to any other subject.

A course of study was completed last year and is being used up to the present time. It is being revised to suit the new time allotment given to the drawing classes and to conform in arrangement with the Teachers' Manual.

During this past year each grade teacher has saved, in a special envelope, one average drawing of each completed problem. These were to serve as a

memoranda and sample for the next year's work. Since last September I have found many new teachers thankful for this envelope. As the year progresses and a new sample is saved it takes the place of the old one which is returned to the pupil.

An ideal way to note the past year's work would be to have for each grade a large portfolio containing usual mounting cards on which would be fastened papers and any art work chosen from the work of all the pupils in town in that particular grade. The portfolios would be kept in wall cabinets in a room adjoining the Superintendent's office, and available to all who might benefit by the varied ideas and suggestions.

I find it difficult to say definitely that the standard of the drawing classes has improved since the preceding year. But I can say there is decided change for the better since 1923 or 1924. I feel that with the reference material, the subject matter, the working material and the time allotment we have so far collected that the proper method of procedure will improve and develop.

At the High School the pupils wish for more drawing. I am glad there is a possibility of a wish being fulfilled. The drawing periods are far too few. A pupil at this age can appreciate the value of an art course if it is presented attractively.

The present course of study divides the pupils into groups. Beginners and advanced students. The First Year people have practically the same work each year. But the Advanced pupils have a different program outlined each year. The same fundamentals are repeated, but by means of different problems. Then too, the materials and tools worked with vary.

The freehand drawing classes and mechanical drawing classes are divided in the same manner. Both have textbooks and both progress as rapidly as they are capable. A certain amount of work must be done, but due credit is given the pupil who accomplishes extra work. With the large classes and short time it is usual to keep groups working similarly. Individual help, criticism, and attention is given in the groups as long as the time lasts.

Soon I hope a definite three year Art Course will be followed in the High School. It should be arranged to help the business student as well as the college student. A General Art Course might be the title.

Art can be on an equal standing with any other subject in the High School provided it is given the proper backing. Those people who have interest in other directions do not realize the forward movement in Art Education apparent in the last few years. Not only are the Art Associations pushing the value of art training, but the manufacturing and business concerns, connected with production of art materials, are expressing an interest by distributing, at their own expense, monthly pamphlets as "Every Day Art", "The Drawing Teacher", "American Art for Grade Teachers", and "The Art Service Bureau Outline for Spring", (Summer, Winter, Fall). These are advertisements to be sure, but they help to advance the cause of Art Education.

In closing my report I thank the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, Principals, and teachers for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ATHALIE HOBELL.

REPORT OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

The progress of the Instrumental Music Department has been steadily maintained throughout the schools of the Town, and results have proven such growth to be of healthy and consistent nature.

Interest on the part of those performing and the various other classes participating together with the addition of a large number of beginners, resulted in the saturation point, in regard to the time allotted to each school, being reached early in the school term during September.

Public recognition of the work and performance of the High School Orchestra has been attested in several appearances during the past year, the most noteworthy among which was the broadcasting from Station W. E. E. I. during Educational Week.

The number of instrumentalists at the various schools is as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Noah Torrey School | 32 |
| High School | 41 |
| Hollis School | 50 |
| Penniman School | 13 |
| Jonas Perkins School | 25 |
| Thomas Watson School | 15 |

I wish to extend my appreciation and thanks to the teachers and principals who in many ways have helped to make Instrumental Music a reality for several boys and girls, and to the Braintree Rotary

Club, and all those who by donations of instruments or contributions to this department have largely aided in its success.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. J. LEWIS.

REPORT OF VOCAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report of vocal music in the Braintree Schools.

Braintree Schools now realizes an equipment in music books which is uniform and adequate for all grades and of the highest standard. To teach music-reading, music-writing, train voices and develop song-singing in twenty minutes a day, it is most essential that no time is lost with poor and insufficient music text books, and that we have the most attractive and interesting song material. The "Music Education Series" has been carefully described in a previous report.

Beginning the new year, the six large schools will be supplied with a set of phonograph records, that make up a course in music appreciation that parallels the Music Education Series, a complete and practical course in understanding the masterpieces of music through phonograph records made by eminent artists. The valuable pedagogical principle that underlies this course is, proceed from known to unknown. It begins with presenting in each grade a "bridge" record

which leads the class naturally from songs which they have already sung and learned to love, to the same songs played by various solo instruments of the orchestra with accompaniments. In this new medium of expression are now presented the great instrumental and vocal masterpieces and leads directly to the intelligent enjoyment and appreciation of the best known musical compositions. With these new records and new portable phonographs we will have a musical equipment that will make it possible to give the children abundantly, while they are in school, the joyful experience of hearing and sharing in the rendition of beautiful music. In this learning to appreciate and to love beautiful music, we believe that our boys and girls will be inclined to observe and to acquire a taste for all beauty. Such stimulation of childrens' aesthetic instinct will in turn tend to enrich, refine, and ennable their entire lives.

Music in the High School should prepare for two types of use; first, the creating of a happier, finer, better balanced citizenship through enlarging the use of music as leisure time activity; and second, the laying of the foundation, at least for music as a vocation. Recently a leading educator stated that statistics show that music as a profession involves more people than lawyers, doctors, and dentists combined. According to this statement music should be placed with the other vocational subjects and treated as such. With the opening of the new High School, I recommend that we take steps to establish courses in music including harmony, music appreciation, musical history, and theory, to meet the needs of the pupils who are going to make music their life work.

Such courses in the High School would necessitate another teacher who would give full time to the High School music. The increased number of classes in

the grades have made my schedule so crowded that some primary classes are only visited once a month, and under present conditions I have not been able to meet the demands in the High School for organized glee chorus work, and added courses could not be attempted unless I have an assistant in the grades or a special teacher for the High School music.

In closing my report I wish to quote a prominent educator on music as a fundamental need of humanity.

"Music supplies a fundamental need of humanity because it appeals directly to the heart, tends to soften and mellow the sensibilities, makes a direct appeal to the higher emotions, and in all ages and among all peoples has been the medium of approach to the Infinite. Music, like literature and art, awakens, stimulates and develops an appreciation of beauty. Somehow music opens the windows of the soul, mellows and softens the whole being, speaks directly to the heart, and is a medium of expression where words are inadequate. Music begins where speech ends."

Respectfully submitted,

INGRID E. EKMAN.

REPORT OF PHYSICAL DIRECTOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Since Physical Education has but recently become a part of the curriculum of the schools of Braintree, my report can serve to show more of what I hope to

accomplish than what has been done. Judging by the ready response and willingness of the children to learn new things, and the wonderful co-operation of the principals and teachers of the schools, I am sure that it will not be long before this subject will be considered as valuable to Braintree's future citizens, as any other subject in the schools.

Physical Education should aim to bring out the potential qualities of the body, mind, and soul of the individual and group, by providing well chosen material built on the foundation of the nature and needs of the individual for practical future living. We should help the growing child to live a free and vital life and allow free expression of the social instincts. We know that the mind controls the body, and we therefore should make this organism an efficient instrument. Here, too, we may so mold their personalities by instilling in them high ideals and standards for a better influence on their companions, and thus live in harmony with the rest of the world. And lastly Physical Education fortifies them against disease by living a pure hygienic life.

So far I have devoted my time to introducing this subject through a typical plan of classroom work so that during the interval between my weekly visits to each school, the teacher may carry on the work at their required morning and afternoon periods. This plan follows the suggestions offered in the State bulletin on Physical Education, and I have divided the lesson as follows:

INTRODUCTION—For mental and physical preparation for a lesson.

CORRECTIVE—To secure good posture and to help correct bad or faulty posture in child.

EDUCATIONAL—For alertness, control, coordination and inhibition.

HYGIENIC—For stimulating the systems of the body. They aim at health ends.

RECREATIVE—Games, athletics, and folk dances.

During my visits to the schools each week, the work is carried on out-doors, weather permitting, where new work is taught and a great deal of time devoted to natural activities, folk dances and games.

With the progress the children are making now, they will be ready for my Rational Athletic Plan by spring. This is simply an interpretation of the last two parts of the above typical class plan, Hygienic and Recreative. It consists in bringing athletic exercises and the method of athletic competition into the regular physical education weekly program. Each pupil, instead of a select few, gets the benefit of some real athletic work, and learns the rudiments of several wholesome outdoor sports. If it be deemed advisable, a Point System or Individual Records may be kept. Records should always be secondary to the main purpose, which is Exercise—vigorous, wholesome, all-round exercise for everybody.

The new High School with its gymnasium, apparatus, lockers, and showers, will afford a wonderful opportunity to further develop this plan.

Respectfully submitted,

H. P. HERMANSEN.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit the annual report of health work done in the Braintree Schools.

Once each week every school is visited on a regular schedule, and general health work is done in all cases where needed.

The school physicians have examined each child physically as is required under the Massachusetts law. This year some twenty-eight hundred children have received such an examination.

All children in the schools have been weighed and measured. A careful record has been kept of each child, and in cases where individuals have been found underweight advice has been given to parents. Parents are notified in all cases where any serious physical defect is discovered, and are urged to take up the matter with their family physician.

The teeth of all children to the fourth grade are examined in preparation for the work of the Dental Clinic.

All pupils are examined at frequent intervals for cleanliness and for symptoms of contagious disease. Treatment is given for minor troubles such as cuts, bruises, toothache, boils, etc. When children are absent from school, visits are made to the homes and advice given to parents in many cases.

Mothercraft is being taught in the eighth grades to the girls, and general instruction in home-making.

In closing, I would say that the past year has seen a distinct improvement in the health of our boys and girls, and this improvement is bound to continue as long as we have such a spirit of helpfulness and co-operation between pupils, parents, and teachers, as has been manifest in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE D. CARSON.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of School,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit my report as Attendance Officer for the year December 31, 1926.

I have worked in conjunction with the State Board of Labor and Industry, also the Friendly Aid Association, and the School Nurse.

I have investigated 697 cases as reported to me and found pupils absent for the following reasons:

| | |
|---|-----|
| Sickness | 118 |
| Truancy | 58 |
| Lack of clothing, shoes, etc. | 38 |
| Kept out by parents | 106 |
| Found on street and taken to school | 34 |
| Left School | 48 |

| | |
|--|----|
| Non-registration (new pupils placed in school) | 14 |
| Found on street and taken home | 31 |
| Left Town | 21 |
| Employment Cards | 9 |
| Tardy | 29 |
| Factories and stores visited | 15 |
| Found at home and taken to school | 61 |
| Department of Immigration cases ivestigated | 0 |
| Destroying and loss of school property | 3 |
| Disturbances at school and on streets | 5 |
| Home employment cards granted | 2 |
| Taken to court | 0 |
| Sent to Wrentham School | 0 |
| Reported to school nurse | 18 |
| Boys placed under my charge by parents | 22 |
| From farm to school (under 14 years) | 24 |
| Evening calls on parents | 43 |

I have investigated all cases of the schools including the Continuation School and the High School, in the interest of parents, superintendent of schools, and at all times having in mind the welfare of the Town in general.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD.

**COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE
BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL**

Town Hall, Wednesday Evening, June 23, 1926,
at eight o'clock.

| | |
|---|---------|
| March, "Graduation" | Ascher |
| High School Orchestra | |
| Song, "Carmena" | Wilson |
| School Chorus | |
| Salutatory Essay, "The Magnificent Idler" | |
| Louise Oakman | |
| Essay, "Great Moments in Science" | |
| Wayne Besselman | |
| Essay "The Field of Medical Science" | |
| Dorothy Simonds | |
| Selection, "Over the Waves" | Rosas |
| High School Orchestra | |
| Presentation of Philergian Essay Prize | |
| Mrs. Andrew S. Merrill, President of Philergians | |
| Essay, "The Land of White Pagodas" | |
| Joseph McInerney | |
| Song, "Nightingale and Rose" | Lehnert |
| School Chorus | |
| Award of Scholarship Prizes | |
| Mr. Elmer E. Abercrombie, Chairman of Trustees of | |
| Braintree School Fund | |
| Essay, "Something Besides the Three R's" | |
| Mary Halloran | |

- Song, "Starry Night"** Densmore
 Senior Girls
- Valedictory Essay, "The Importance of Music in Schools"** Bernadine McCusker
- Presentation of French Medals and Diplomas**
- Class Song** Words by Mary Halloran
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MEMBERS OF CLASS

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bernadine Marie McCusker | Thomas Joseph Henshon |
| Mary Louise Oakman | Earl Cunningham Hollis |
| Mary Claire Halloran | Grace Evelyn Howie |
| Joseph John McInerney | Robert Wheeler Kenyon |
| Wayne Leo Besselman | Frances Irene Klaus |
| Dorothy Edna Simonds | Gertrude Eleanor Krohn |
| Maybelle Alice Abbott | Carol Lawrence |
| Ruth Frances Ashworth | Evelyn Marguerite LeVangie |
| Abraham Lincoln Bloom | Roger Michael LeVangie |
| Herbert Oswald Boardman | Helen Louise Little |
| Isabel Frances Bregoli | Rosalind Maxham |
| William John Burns | Eleanor Dolores Maxwell |
| Louise Marie Carney | Marguerite Nora McCarthy |
| Douglas Cassell | Paul Peter Mealey |
| Elizabeth Cochran | Henry Cutting Merriam |
| Doris Louise Creed | Frank LeRoy Nickerson |
| Julian Earl Davis | Blanche Irene Our |
| Dorothy Drake | Mary Margaret Wendell Pearson |
| Flora Anna Eldridge | Elvie Amelia Peterson |
| Thelma Marguerite Farrington | Mary Frances Pratt |
| Louise Richards Fitts | Mary Alice Reardon |
| Elna Sophie Fredrickson | Sibyl Frances Robinson |
| Eleanor Mary Gannon | Dorothy Frances Scanlan |
| Robert Francis Gerrish | Adeline Helen Steele |
| Margaret Elizabeth Haley | Herbert Robert Stenberg |
| Ethel Irene Haynes | Harold Irving Stewart |
| Olive Grace Hennessey | Dorothy Rhea Studley |
| Ruth Naomi Henry | Eleanor Virginia Sullivan |

Arnold Roger Swinimer
Olive Elmira Tardiff
Fannie Burrell Vining
Edward Aloysius Walsh
Francis Joseph Walsh

Margaret Ethel Walsh
Conlan Ernest Warren
Alphons Ramon Weyhert
Mary Regina Weyhert
Clara Emeline Wynot

Harold Giles Wynot

CLASS OFFICERS

Wayne Besselman, President Blanche Our, Vice-Pres.
Bernadine McCusker, Sec. Joseph McInerney, Treas.

FRENCH MEDAL WINNERS

Bernadine McCusker Louise Oakman
 Mary Hallorau

PHILERGIAN PRIZE ESSAY WINNER

Bernadine McCusker

CLASS FLOWER

Rose

CLASS COLORS

Lavendar and Silver

CLASS MOTTO

“Victoria Patentiam Coronat”

First six names arranged according to rank.

The following is a list of all the grammar school graduates in the Town of Braintree, June 22 - 24, 1926.

HOLLIS SCHOOL

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jean Sutherland Baker | Irene Mary McKeough |
| Lyman Winslow Chick | Walter Nelson Miller |
| Martha H. Farquharson | Robert Francis Murphy |
| Mildred Ann Frazier | Grace Godfrey Neal |
| Hilman Charles Hall | Farlyn Ruth Newcomb |
| Ellen Harrison | Harold Ellsworth Norris |
| Pauline Hamilton Harvey | Louise Estelle Payne |
| Virginia Gertrude Horsman | Louise Ann Quinn |
| Caleb Kelley Hurst | Russell Wade Symmes |
| Wilhelmina Carlisle Johnson | Miriam Irene Thomas |
| Leon Wendell Jordan | Mary Elizabeth Vinton |
| Francis Gustaf Luoma | Albert John Walsh |
| Violette Phyllis Marston | Joseph Arthur White |
| Harold Clifton McKay, Jr. | Inez Fletcher Wilder |
| Dorothy Louise McKeough | Chester Elroy Williams |
| | Robert Gage Woodsum |

PENNIMAN SCHOOL

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Stedman Field Arnold | John Leo Gavin |
| Frank Louis Benson | Mary Josephine Gavin |
| Robert Alton Caswell | Florence Mary Kennison |
| William Henry Collins | Dean Jackson Kingsbury |
| Francis Cotter | Rose Ella Lehosky |
| Addison Ralph Crafts | Donald Francis Meserve |
| Margaret Jane DeCoste | Marjorie Eleanor Plummer |
| Joseph Anthony Frazier | Ruth Power |
| | Douglas Woodrow Prince |

JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Robert Bates | Edward Paul Long |
| James Edwin Brooks | George McDonald Lonie |
| Mae Livingston Bruce | Mary Catherine McDonald |
| Dorothy Evelyn Crandall | Arthur Charles McLaughlin |
| Edna Catherine Cunniff | James William Nickson |
| Ella Morton Edson | Florence Alma Palmer |
| Joyce Fiske | Francis Waldo Richards |
| Christopher McRae Garland | Wilbert Smith Rideout |
| Herbert Leslie Hardy | Harry Woods |
| Walter Kenneth Hartman | Olaf Alfred Saunders |
| Lillian Esther Kearney | Myrtle Lillian Walker |
| Marguerite Ellen Lavery | Charles Seldon Woodbury |

THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donald Arthur Berrio | Richard Hennebury |
| George Walker Charlesworth | Marie Carrie Herman |
| Myrtle Marion Collier | Ruth Kelland |
| Earl Francis Connors | Bertha Vesta Lunan |
| Milton Billings Cook | Norbert Walter Lyon |
| Ruth Helena Crane | Joseph Vincent McVay |
| Harry William Crossman | Frederick Clinton Messenger |
| Rhoda Victoria Dosenberg | Charlotte Matilda Moore |
| Arthur Campbell Drennan | Newman Weston Page |
| Paul Albert Fredette | Olive Joy Pratt |
| Florence Lillian Furse | Barbara Elizabeth Reed |
| Annie Goldie | Bernard Augustine Smith |
| Marion Esther Harvey | Emily May Streiferd |
| Michael Hennebury | Peter Henry Walsh |

NOAH TORREY SCHOOL

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Marjorie Ethelynde Armstrong | Reo Victor Albonetti |
| Grace Elizabeth Cardarople | Nicholas Leo Basile |
| Dorothy Gwendolyn Clapp | Richard Albion Cain |
| Eleanor Diaute | Anthony Cordaro |
| Helen Iren Katheryn Davis | John James Davis |
| Claire Lucille Diauto | Henry Francis DeCosta |
| Harriette Isabelle Farrar | Joseph David DeCoste |
| Irma Frances Ferguson | Robert Francis Foley |
| Cecelia Barabara Fitzsimmons | Geno Galetti |
| Mildred Dorothy Ford | Anthony Nicholas Galotti |
| Thelma Elizabeth Harrington | Lewis Howard Gould |
| Dorothy Helen Levangie | Edward Hedvig |
| Mildred Marie Kerr | Maurice Alden Mansfield |
| Irma Elizabeth Lawry | Leonard Sewell Marshman |
| Evelyn Mary Ford | Chester Earl McGibbon |
| Catherine Stella Monteforte | Joseph Michael Mealey |
| Esther Louise Nelson | Francis Edwin Morse |
| Ethel May Newcomb | Louis Charles Morse |
| Agnes Sophia Peterson | Edward Roy O'Brien |
| Mary Elizabeth Scanlon | John Adolphus Reed |
| Beulah Evangeline Smiley | Edwin Francis Russell |
| Alice Muriel Sullivan | Earle Marshall Simonds |
| Anna Sullivan | Edmund Basil Smith |
| Ethel Augusta Waite | Richard Bertram Vonberg |

PARENT - TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS**Hollis School**

President, Mr. F. N. Nissen, 62 Holmes Street,
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Mabel Pierce, 42 Common Street,
Braintree.

Treasurer Mr. Charles E. Thomas, 20 Wyman Road,
Braintree.

Penniman School

President, Mr. Archie Morrison, Liberty Street, South
Braintree.

Secretary, Miss Eleanor G. Brown, 32 Hollis Avenue,
Braintree.

Treasurer, Miss Clara N. M. Holbrook, 185 Middle
Street, Braintree.

Noah Torrey School and Pond School

President, Mrs. Arvilla Hayden, Franklin Street, South
Braintree.

Secretary, Miss Dorothy Fessenden, 1060 Washington
Street, South Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. Frederick W. Rowell, 33 Tremont
Street, South Braintree.

Jonas Perkins School and Abraham Lincoln School

President, Mrs. Stanley Reed, 21 Dobson Road, East
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Simon Rideout, 193 Shaw Street, East
Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. Frederick Tarbox, 27 Willard St.,
East Braintree.

Thomas A. Watson School

President, Mr. Melvin Jenkins, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Newman Page, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. Newman Page, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Oct. 1, 1926

Department Membership

| Oct. 1, 1926 | Membership | Name | Education | Experience | Service Began |
|--------------|------------|------|-----------|------------|------------------|
|--------------|------------|------|-----------|------------|------------------|

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Principal | Post Grad. | James L. Jordan | Bates College | 18 years | Sept. 1918 |
| Clerk | Seniors | 75 | Brantree High | 1 year | Sept. 1925 |
| Sub-Master | Science Jrs. | 107 | Rhode Island State | 10 years | Sept. 1921 |
| English | Sophomores | 106 | Wellesley College | 4 years | Sept. 1923 |
| English | Freshmen | 136 | University of Maine | 5 years | Sept. 1926 |
| English | | | University of Washington | 14 1/2 years | Nov. 1926 |
| Latin | | | Brown University | 4 years | Sept. 1924 |
| French and Spanish | | | University New Hampshire | 2 years | Sept. 1926 |
| French and Biology | | | Bates College | 4 years | Sept. 1925 |
| History | | | Boston University | 5 years | Sept. 1922 |
| History and Civics | | | Colby College | 1 year | Sept. 1926 |
| Mathematics | | | Boston University | 17 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Household Arts | | | Framingham Normal | 11 years | Sept. 1919 |
| Household Arts | Science and Mathematics | { Marion D. Williams | University of New Hampshire | 3 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Commercial | | Raymond L. Strangford | Northeastern University | 9 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Commercial | | Olive M. Avery | University of Maine | 9 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Commercial | | Margaret C. Kirby | Salem Normal | 12 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Commercial | | Hazel M. Fitts | Salem Normal | 4 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Commercial | | Mildred B. Ahlgren | Salem Normal | 7 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Commercial | | Beulah J. Smith | Boston University | 2 years | Sept. 1925 |

HOLLIS SCHOOL

| Department | Oct. 1, 1926 Membership | Name | Education | Experience | Service Began |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Principal | 430 | Elmer E. Ellsworth | Columbia University | 8 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 8 | 34 | Marian Peabody | Gorham Normal | 10 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 7 | 43 | Ruth W. Thrasher | Framingham Normal | 5 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 6 | 41 | Kathryn Kirby | Westfield Normal | 4 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 5 | 36 | Doris G. Norton | Newburyport Training | 7 years | Nov. 1921 |
| Grades 4 and 5 | 12 - 22 | Helen R. Page | Castine Normal | 2 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 4 | 40 | Mildred S. Nickerson | Bridgewater Normal | 13 years | Sept. 1913 |
| Grade 3 | 35 | Rosalie S. Bayley | Thayer Academy | 27 years | Sept. 1899 |
| Grades 2 and 3 | 21 - 12 | Doris B. Purdy | Castine Normal | 2 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 2 | 32 | Hannah C. Whelan | Weymouth Training | 34 years | Sept. 1890 |
| Grade 1 | 33 | Anna E. Gorman | Salem Normal | 4 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 1 | 32 | Rena E. Hemenway | Salem Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Kindergarten | 37 | Ann R. Howard | Page Kindergarten | 22 years | Sept. 1910 |

PENNIMAN SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|-----------|-----|------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| Principal | 237 | Norman D. Bailey | Boston University | 4 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 8 | 22 | Emma G. Davis | Washington Normal | 5 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Grade 7 | 25 | Helen M. Sprague | Bridgewater Normal | 2 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 6 | 23 | Juliet Douty | Framingham Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 5 | 26 | Eleanor G. Brown | Bridgewater Normal | 5 1/2 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Grade 4 | 24 | Mary E. Mills | Castine Normal | 1 1/2 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 3 | 35 | Ethel M. Towse | Machias Normal | 5 years | Sept. 1926 |

Oct. 1, 1926
Membership

| Department | Name | Education | Experience | Service Began |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Grade 2 | 27 Grace A. Bell | Bridgewater Normal | 4 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Grade 1 | 35 Gladys Iliffe | Lesley Normal | 5 years | Nov. 1926 |
| Kindergarten | 20 Cecilia C. Whelan | Wheelock Kindergarten | 10 years | Sept. 1916 |

JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------|------------|
| Principal | 313 Alberto M. Eldridge | Bridgewater | Normal | 28 years | Sept. 1918 |
| Grade 8 | 35 Ella M. Jude | Castine | Normal | 18 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 7 | 45 Bertha E. Hinchcliffe | Salem | Normal | 11 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 6 | 45 Nellie E. Bolles | Brantree | High | 37 years | Sept. 1889 |
| Grade 5 | 29 Ida M. Cromwell | Castine | Normal | 12 years | Sept. 1916 |
| Grade 4 | 29 Irma M. Killian | Bridgewater | Normal | 12 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 3 | 30 Harriet C. Taylor | Hyannis | Normal | 30 years | Sept. 1900 |
| Grade 2 | 38 Helen C. Dignan | Bridgewater | Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1921 |
| Grade 1 | 35 Marguerite L. Sumner | Page | Kindergarten | 30 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Kindergarten | 27 Clara G. Colton | Wheelock | Kindergarten | 6 years | Sept. 1924 |

THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|--------|----------|------------|
| Principal | 344 Charles W. Brooks | Bridgewater | Normal | 11 years | Sept. 1916 |
| Grade 8 | 37 A. Eugenia Wilbas | Bridgewater | Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Grade 7 | 35 Ruth I. Clarke | North Adams | Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 6 | 42 Doris Minah | Keene | Normal | 5 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Grade 5 | 41 Mary T. Madden | Bridgewater | Normal | 7 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Grade 4 | 34 Hazel E. Gould | Keene | Normal | 7 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 3 | 35 Carolyn R. Finck | North Adams | Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1926 |

| Department | Oct. 1, 1926 Membership | Name | Education | Experience | Service Began |
|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|
| Grade 2 | 40 | Aileen L. Kingsbury | Plymouth Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 1 | 33 | Norma R. Brown | Bridgewater Normal | 7 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Kindergarten | 47 | M. Frances Fobes | Bridgewater Normal | 10 years | Sept. 1920 |

ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Principal | 173 | | | | |
| Grade 5 | 21 | Anna V. Gilligan | Bridgewater Normal | 18 years | Sept. 1916 |
| Grade 4 | 27 | Emily A. Landry | Bridgewater Normal | 10 years | Sept. 1918 |
| Grade 3 | 27 | Helen M. Linnehan | Wheelock Kindergarten | 3½ years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 2 | 30 | A. Gladys Herring | Lowell Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Grade 1 | 35 | Emma Lally | Lesley Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Kindergarten | 33 | Lorena Young | Perry Kindergarten | 4 years | Sept. 1923 |

NOAH TORREY SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|-----------|-----|------------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|
| Principal | 672 | F. Allan Chapman | Salem | 17 years | Sept. 1918 |
| Grade 8 | 31 | Josephine B. Colbert | Bridgewater Normal | 39 years | Sept. 1892 |
| Grade 8 | 30 | Gertrude E. Saunders | Salem Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1919 |
| Grade 7 | 46 | Blanche Hinds | Boston Normal | 14 years | Dec. 1924 |
| Grade 7 | 45 | Margaret MacDonald | Gorham Normal | 2 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 6 | 51 | Florence E. Richardson | Gorham Normal | 23 years | April 1926 |
| Grade 6 | 49 | E. Aldana Coleman | Castine Normal | 16 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 5 | 33 | Elizabeth G. Rogers | Framingham Normal | 28 years | Sept. 1915 |
| Grade 5 | 31 | Dorothy Fessenden | Bridgewater Normal | 6 years | Sept. 1921 |
| Grade 5 | 33 | Clara W. Bickford | Gorham Normal | 10 years | Feb. 1926 |

| Department | Oct. 1, 1926 Membership | Name | Education | Experience | Service Began |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Grade 4 | 34 | Mildred E. Hutchinson | Plymouth Normal | 22 years | Sept. 1919 |
| Grade 4 | 33 | Margaret E. Perkins | Colby College | 7 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Grade 4 | 33 | Edna R. Howland | Lowell Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 3 | 43 | Grace E. Rowe | Salem Normal | 3 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Grade 3 | 42 | Gertrude H. Falt | Gorham Normal | 3 years | April 1926 |
| Grade 3 | 42 | Ruth F. Chase | Plymouth Normal | 4 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Grade 2 | 35 | Lucia Plumer | Keene Normal | 6 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Grade 2 | 31 | Ida E. Stratton | Newburyport Training | 15 years | April 1926 |
| Grade 2 | 30 | Helen Decker | Gorham Normal | 2 years | Sept. 1926 |

POND SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-----------------|--------------------|----------|------------|
| Principal | 118 | | | | |
| Grade 1 | 25 | Claire E. Shay | Thayer Academy | 23 years | Sept. 1903 |
| Grade 1 | 25 | Cora M. Coffill | North Adams Normal | 13 years | Sept. 1918 |
| Grade 1 | 26 | Leta M. Weston | Brookfield High | 15 years | Sept. 1909 |
| Kindergarten | 42 | Harriet M. Hill | Shaw Normal | 33 years | Sept. 1893 |

SOUTH WEST SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|--------------|----|----------------------|----------------|----------|------------|
| Grade 1 | 25 | Clara N. M. Holbrook | Thayer Academy | 17 years | Sept. 1909 |
| Kindergarten | 12 | Ethella M. Nichols | Ferry Normal | 10 years | Sept. 1916 |

SOUTH SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|--------------|----|---------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|
| Kindergarten | 4 | | | | |
| Grade 1 | 15 | Josephine M. Foster | Braintree High | 23 1/2 years | Sept. 1905 |

Oct. 1, 1926
Department Membership

Service
Began

CONTINUATION SCHOOL

| Name | Education | Experience | Began |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Richard W. Johnson | Fitchburg Normal | 6 years | Sept. 1922 |
| Elizabeth P. Cobb | Framingham Normal | 1 year | Sept. 1925 |

SPECIALS

| | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Music (Vocal) | Ingrid E. Ekman | New England Conservatory | 16 years | Sept. 1919 |
| Music (Instrumental) | Frederick W. J. Lewis | Boston University | 19 years | Sept. 1923 |
| Drawing | Athalie Hobell | Mass. Normal Art | 7 years | Sept. 1921 |
| Physical Education | H. Percy Hermansen | Savage School of Phys. Ed. | 8 years | Sept. 1926 |
| Nurse | Josephine D. Carson | Long Island Hospital | 7 years | Sept. 1924 |
| Special | Bertha L. Jennings | Bridgewater Normal | 18 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Special | Roma Bergami | Lowell Normal | 8 years | Sept. 1925 |
| Special | Alice Crocker | Bridgewater Normal | 18 years | Sept. 1925 |
| School Carpenter | Edward O. Long | | | June 1922 |
| Attendance Officer | Charles S. Hannaford | | | Jan. 1918 |
| Superintendent | C. Edward Fisher | St. Lawrence U., Brown U. | 26 years | Oct. 1921 |
| Secretary | Emily Lawley | Braintree High | 5 years | Jan. 1922 |
| School Physician | Dr. F. W. Gale | | | |
| School Physician | Dr. H. W. Ripley | | | |
| School Physician | Dr. C. A. Sullivan | | | |

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JANITORS

Albert F. Hollis, 39 Taylor Street, South Braintree.
 Joseph E. Hayden, 55 Pearl Street, South Braintree.
 Omer W. Hollis, 282 Union Street, Braintree.
 Edward C. Holyoke, 24 Liberty Road, East Braintree.
 James Cassidy, 47 Bellevue Road, East Braintree.
 Willard P. Brown, 23 Willow Street, East Braintree.
 Foster F. Tupper, 44 Central Avenue, South Braintree.
 J. Herbert Annis, 2 Grove Street, South Braintree.
 William A. McCabe, 101 Central Avenue, South Braintree.
 Nelson E. Hayden, 305 Pond Street, South Braintree.
 Margaret O'Rourke, 29 Peach Street, South Braintree.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Teacher's Salaries | \$156,650.50 |
| Superintendent | 4,000.00 |
| Clerk | 1,140.00 |
| Attendance Officer | 500.00 |
| Nurse and School Physicians | 2,940.10 |
| Janitors' Salaries | 10,163.61 |
| Fuel, Light and Water | 9,250.63 |
| Other Operating Expenses | 1,901.82 |
| Text Books and Supplies | 12,255.60 |
| Transportation | 7,640.00 |
| Tuition | 1,905.47 |
| Repairs | 13,422.25 |
| Outlay | 1,852.47 |
| Miscellaneous | 3,264.59 |
| | |
| Total | \$226,887.04 |

RECEIPTS BY THE TOWN ON ACCOUNT OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Massachusetts School Fund | \$18,508.00 |
| Continuation School (State Reimbursement) | 1,799.96 |
| Continuation School (Tuition of Non-Residents) | 704.64 |
| Continuation School (Smith-Hughes Fund) | 337.96 |
| State Tuition (Wards) | 516.72 |
| City of Boston (Wards) | 60.80 |
| Miscellaneous | 338.56 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$22,266.64 |
| Net | \$204,620.40 |

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Electric Light Department
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE
FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



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1927

MANAGER'S REPORT

Braintree Electric Light Department

Municipal Light Board, Braintree, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the annual report of this department and include the financial statement as prescribed by the department of Public Utilities.

Three hundred and fifty one new service accounts were opened in 1926 making the present total (4019) four thousand inineteen.

Pole line extensions were made on forty five streets using 129 - 35 foot poles.

Replacements of old poles were made on forty streets using 96- 35 foot, 27- 40 foot, 3- 45 foot, and 2- 50 foot poles.

WIRE USED IN STREETS

Primary:

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|
| 26,936 ft., No. O; | 59,190 ft., No. 4; | 18,180 ft., No. 6; | 104,306 |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|

Secondary:

| | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|
| 600 ft., No., OO; | 37635 ft., No. 4; | 33,465 ft., No. 6; | 71,700 |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|

Street Lighting:

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|
| 26,390 .ft, No. 6; | 2,440 ft., No. 8, Twin Arc; | | 28,830 |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|

House Connection:

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 300 ft., No. 2; | 1,110 ft., No. 4;; | 42,381 ft., No. 6;.... | 43,791 |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------|

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Upward of 47 miles or total feet..... | 248,627 |
|---------------------------------------|---------|

Installation of street lights in Braintree Square, and also those at the Junction of Liberty and Commercial Streets have been held up by our inability to obtain material, but all 1926 applications will be installed before March 1, 1927. New Lights totaling 14,390 watts have been distributed over thirty four streets, making a total of 1264.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Street Lighting used 208,803 Kilo- | | |
| watts @ .029c | \$6,055.28 | |
| Lamps renewed: | | |
| 1460-60 Watt @ 66c..... | \$963.60 | |
| 32-250 Watt @ \$1.17 | 37.44 | |
| 3-1000 Watt @ 2.56 | 7.68 | |
| 9-400 Watt @ 1.68 | 15.12 | 1,023.84 |
| Fixtures replaced: | | |
| 12-Novalux @ 10.24 | 122.18 | |
| 60-G. E. Type @ 7.45 | 447.00 | 569.88 |
| Wire Cable and Hardware used in | | |
| repair | 78.84 | |
| Labor-Repair 1200 hours @ 80c.. | 960.00 | |
| Patroling and care of system | 537.16 | |
| Total | \$9,225.00 | |

In reference to the propaganda recently given much publicity in the Boston papers and also in some of the local sheets relative to excessive lighting rates at this plant, we wish to state that it has always been the policy of the Municipal Lighting Board to give Service without partiality at the lowest possible cost, and as the business has grown in volume producing a material increase in Surplus it has been given back to the citizens in reduced rates, and as time goes by this policy will undoubtedly be continued and eventually in the near future it will result in Braintree Citizens having as cheap lighting rates as any other town in the state.

KILOWATTS GENERATED AT STATION, 1926

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| January | 554,000 |
| February | 494,000 |
| March | 589,000 |
| April | 524,000 |
| May | 548,060 |

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|---|------------------|
| June | 567,000 |
| July | 544,000 |
| August | 628,000 |
| September | 559,000 |
| October | 597,000 |
| November | 646,000 |
| December | 645,000 |
| | 6,895,060 |
| Power Purchased—Weymouth Light & Power Co. | |
| | 21,000 |
| Total | 6,916,060 |
| Distributed Thus: | |
| General Lighting | 1,038,508 |
| General Power | 1,050,063 |
| Stedman Products—Power | 2,428,030 |
| Cities Service Refining—Power | 1,102,000 |
| Weymouth Light & Power— Power | 48,960 |
| Street Lighting | 208,803 |
| Power Factor Correction | 146,000 |
| Excitation Main Generator Motor | 175,000 |
| Circulating Water Motor | 143,500 |
| Station & Office Estimate Light | 15,000 |
| Line Loss .0904 per cent | 560,195 |
| Total | 6,916,060 |

OPERATING EXPENSE**Operation:**

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| 601—Superintending | \$ 12,400.54 |
| 606—Boiler Fuel | 63,862.45 |
| 607—Water For Steam | 1,117.58 |

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|---|----------|-----------|
| 608-9—Miscellaneous Expenses | 1,424.27 | |
| | | 78,804.84 |
| Maintenance: | | |
| 611—Station Structure | 1,538.47 | |
| 612-4—Steam Equipment | 2,477.00 | |
| 615-6—General Equipment | 266.36 | |
| 634—Electric Energy Purchased | 226.80 | |
| | | 4,508.63 |

Transmission and Distribution

Operation:

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| 638—Trans. and Dist. Lines \$ | 3,162.00 | |
| 639—Supplies and Expenses | 127.49 | |
| 640-2—Meter and Transformer repair Labor | 1,067.59 | |
| | | 4,357.08 |

Maintenance:

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 647—Trans. and Dist. Lines | 37,429.63 | |
| 650-1—Meters and Trans. | 1,257.60 | |
| | | 38,687.23 |

Utilization

Operation:

| | | |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| 654—Street Lights | 537.16 | |
| Maintenance: | | |
| 657—Street Lights | 2,632.56 | 3,169.72 |
| 666—Salaries Municipal Board and Manager | 5,300.04 | |
| 667—Salaries Office Clerks | 7,442.12 | |
| 668—Office Expense | 1,293.98 | |
| 671—Insurance | 3,665.81 | |
| 675—Transportation Expenses | 6,223.63 | |
| 677—Maintenance Structure | 3.00 | |
| 678—Depreciation | 12,923.07 | 36,851.65 |
| | | |
| Total | | \$ 166,379.15 |

Electric Operating Revenue

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Commercial and Domestic: | |
| Light | 100,415.90 |
| Power | 111,579.56 |
| Flatt Rate Sales to Private | |
| Consumers | 1,040.83 |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> |
| | 213,036.29 |
| Municipal Revenues: | |
| Power | 875.82 |
| Light | 2,394.10 |
| Street Lighting | 9,225.00 |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> |
| | 12,494.92 |
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| Total | \$ 225,531.21 |

Income Statement

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| 500—Operating Revenues .. | 225,531.21 |
| 600—Operating Expenses .. | 166,379.15 |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> |
| Interest Income | 379.17 |
| Merchandise and Jobbing | 3,888.89 |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> |
| Total | \$ 63,420.12 |
| Interest on Bonds | 1,400.00 |
| Miscellaneous Deductions | 206.91 |
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| | 1,606.91 |
| Income balance transferred to Profit and Loss | \$ 61,813.21 |

Profit & Loss Statement

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|---|------------|
| 401—Credit Balance, January 1, 1926 | 190,573.80 |
| 402—Credit Balance transferred from Income | 61,813.21 |

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| 403—Less Bonds Paid . . . | 20,000.00 |
| Total | \$ 232,387.01 |

Investment Account

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Land | 1,065.00 |
| Structure | 13,539.24 |
| Boiler Plant Equipment . . | 59,761.09 |
| Prime Movers Auxiliaries | 78,671.71 |
| Turbines | 2,361.15 |
| Electric Plant Steam . . . | 36,655.04 |
| Overhead Lines, Poles & Fix- | |
| tures | 71,563.04 |
| Consumers Meters | 34,970.78 |
| Transformers | 37,397.27 |
| | ————— \$ 335,984.32 |

Utilization Equipment

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Street Lighting Equipment | 10,370.98 | 10,370.98 |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|

General Equipment

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Office Equipment | 2,547.62 |
| Transportation Equipment | 4,784.18 |
| Laboratory Equipment . . | 940.54 |
| Total Plant Investment . . | \$ 354,627.64 |

Balance Sheet Account

| Assets | |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Investment: | |
| Plant Investment | \$ 354,627.64 |
| Current Assets: | |
| Cash Operating FFund . . | 5,815.00 |
| Cash Depreciation Fund . | 22,154.01 |
| | ————— |
| | \$ 27,969.01 |

Accounts Receivable

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Electric Material | 571.69 |
| Light Consumers | 6,976.46 |
| Power Consumers | 10,202.19 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 17,750.34 |

Inventories

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Material & Supplies | 20,059.27 |
|---------------------------|-----------|

Prepaid Accounts

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|-------------------------|---------------|
| Prepaid Insurance | 2,425.86 |
| Total | \$ 422,832.12 |

Liabilities**Appropriations:**

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| Appro. for Construction | 46,168.74 |
|-------------------------|-----------|

Current Liabilities:

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Bills Payable | 11,276.37 |
|---------------------|-----------|

Appropriate Surplus::

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Loans Repayment | 103,000.00 |
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|-------------|-----------|
| Bonds | 30,000.00 |
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|---------------------|------------|
| Profit & Loss | 232,387.01 |
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|-------------|--------------|
| Total | \$422,832.12 |
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OPERATION FUND**Debit****Balance of December 31,**

| | |
|------------|----------|
| 1925 | 2,059.49 |
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|------------------------|------------|
| Receipts—Consumers ... | 213,863.72 |
|------------------------|------------|

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|----------------|-----------|
| Sundries | 10,244.04 |
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|-----------------------|----------|
| Street Lighting | 9,225.00 |
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|-------------------------|--------|
| Interest Receipts | 156.35 |
|-------------------------|--------|

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| | \$ 235,548.60 |
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Credit

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| Bills Payable December 31, 1925 | 18,090.22 |
| Transferred to Depreciation | |
| Cash | 11,613.55 |
| Plant Renewals "Additions" | 36,302.89 |
| Operation | 153,456.08 |
| Bonds | 10,000.00 |
| Stock | 270.86 |
| Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926 | 5,815.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 235,548.60 |

Depreciation Account**Debit**

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Balance January 1, 1926 | 10,317.64 |
| Amount Transferred from | |
| Income | 11,613.55 |
| Income from Interest | 222.82 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 22,154.01 |

Credit

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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926 | \$ 22,154.01 |
| Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926 | \$ 5,815.00 |

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the accounts of Fred B. Lawrence, Manager, of the Braintree Electric Light Department; and approve same. Cash received and paid to Town Treasurer as per cash Book \$ 235,548.60. We

have examined the inventories in the report and compared same with stock on hand and approve them as rendered.

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|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Bills Payable Dec. 31, 1926 | \$ 11,276.37 |
| Bills Receivable | 571.69 |
| Consumers Light Account | 6,976.46 |
| Consumers Power Account | 10,202.19 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 17,750.34 |

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors 1926.

January 29, 1927.

WARRANT

FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING



February 1, 1927.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

**Polling place in Precinct 2, Legion Building,
Hollis Avenue.**

Polling place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Monday, the seventh day of March, 1927, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors, three Auditors, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the School Committee for a term of three

years, one member of the School Committee for a term of two years to fill vacancy, two Trustees of the Thayer Public Library for a term of two years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, five members of the Planning Board for a term of one year, and fifteen Constables.

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, 1927, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except those elected by ballot.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Tax Collector harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or

"Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and any committee, and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for salaries of the Town Officers and the expense of the several departments, including Town Counsel, the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

TOWN HALL

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall and for the services of Janitors.

CHARITIES

Article 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, maintenance and repairs of the Braintree Home, the salaries of the superintendent and matron of the Braintree Home, the salary of the Visitor, salaries of the Overseers of the Poor, and the purchase of equipment for the Welfare Department.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 118 of the General Laws.

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State Aid, military aid, soldiers' burials and soldiers' relief.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries, pensions and expenses of its Police Department, and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law, including court expenses, and the purchase of equipment for said department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, for the purchase of new apparatus or equipment therefor, and for hydrant service.

Article 14. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire alarm system, and for the purchase and installation of the new fire alarm boxes.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to report to the next Annual Town Meeting on the subject of the construction and erection of a building to house the Police Department and the Headquarters of the Fire Department, or either of said departments.

INSPECTION

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of weights and measures.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of the Inspector of Buildings and expenses of his department.

Article 18. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of the Inspector of Wires, and for the expenses of his department.

FORESTRY

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care and planting of trees, and forest fires.

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of the Town having a forest.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to pay for its share of the expense of erecting the Fire Observation Tower on Turkey Hill in Holbrook.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health, including contagious diseases, vital statistics, inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing, dental clinic and tuberculosis nursing, the collection of garbage and the collection of ashes.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,179.97, being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners upon the Town for the care,

maintenance and repairs of the Tuberculosis Hospital, in accordance with Chapter 286 of the General Acts of 1916.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 535 of the Acts of 1910, authorizing the construction of a system of sewerage.

Article 25. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 546 of the Acts of 1910, providing for the addition of the Town to the South Metropolitan Sewerage System.

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the construction of sewerage and drainage within the Town and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purpose or take any action relative thereto.

HIGHWAYS

Article 27. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including salaries, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, oiling streets, and purchase of equipment for said department.

Article 28. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of permanent sidewalks.

Article 29. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lighting.

Article 30. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild

the whole or any section or sections of Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to Central Avenue, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding Independence Avenue from the Quincy Line to Capen's Bridge, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow such further sums for the purpose of carrying out Decree No. 607 of the County Commissioners in regard to the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line or act in any manner in relation thereto.

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Union Street, from the location of Washington Street in South Braintree to Commercial Street in East Braintree, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and

rebuilding of Pond Street west of Glendale Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Park Avenue, from Brewster Avenue to Putnam Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Arbutus Avenue, from Standish Avenue to Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of sidewalks on Summer Street in South Braintree, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Granite Street from Five Corners in a southerly direction about 2,000 lineal feet or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild May Avenue, with a sidewalk on one side of the street from Hollis Avenue to Washington Street.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Hollingsworth Avenue from West Street to a private way—Western Avenue—so-called.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Holmes Street from Fairfield Street to Washington St.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Walnut Street from Monatiquot Avenue to Hollis Ave.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct and build a sidewalk on the westerly side of Independence Avenue from Quincy Line to Center Street.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a drain with catch basin on Morrison Road.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install catch basins and drain Hollinsworth Avenue.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a drain with catch basins on Cleveland Avenue and Union Street.

Article 47. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a suitable sidewalk on Quincy Avenue from Allen Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to widen, straighten and relocate Liberty Street, beginnig at the Charles Buker Estate and extending as far as the Mabel C. Lyons Estate on said Liberty Street, running north.

Article 49. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the rebuilding and repairing of Liberty Street from No. 385 Liberty Street to a point 1,800 feet south.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take by eminent domain for highway purpose land on Plain Street between the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. bridge and Liberty Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way Bellevue Avenue, from Washington Street to Phillips Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Standish Avenue, so-called, from Arbutus Avenue to Myrtle Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a tow nway, Brow Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Wampatuck Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and ppropriate a sum of money, for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Massachusetts Avenue, so-called, from

Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Waldron Road, so-called running westerly from Washington Street as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said Waldron Road, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hillview Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said Hillview Road, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsworth Street, so-called, leading from Mt. Vernon Street, easterly, then turning north-easterly to West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Common Street, so-called, from Washington Street to Sunnyside Park, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Gardner Terrace, so-called, leading westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Walnut Street Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 63. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, the northerly Extension of Oak Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsmore Terrace, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hilltop Road, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Marshall Street, so-called, or any part thereof, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and

appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 67. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Miller Street, so-called, or any part thereof, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessments of betterments or otherwise.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Abbot Street, so-called, 600 feet westerly from Storrs Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Cabot Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, 450 feet from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 71. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly and southerly from Drinkwater Avenue, 500 feet, as

laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 72. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Burroughs Road, so-called, 440 feet from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Dobson Road, so-called, from Commercial Street to Hobart Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 75. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of

money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension, from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, that part of Elmlawn Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and not heretofore accepted, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 80. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Harding Avenue, so-called, 350 feet westerly from Cleveland Avenue.

Article 81. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Staten Road, so-called.

Article 82. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Bower Road, so-called.

Article 83. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen, to lay out a town way, Brookside Road, so-called, running southerly from Commercial Street to Stetson Street.

Article 84. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Primrose Street, so-called (off Arborway Drive) to Audubon Road, so-called.

Article 85. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Audubon Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Vinedale Road, so-called.

Article 86. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out, as a town way, Trefton Drive, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Vinedale Road, so-called.

Article 87. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Ferncroft Road, so-called, from Glenrose Avenue, so-called, to Arborway Drive, so-called.

Article 88. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of West Street, and in addition to the money heretofore appropriated at the annual Town Meeting of 1924 and 1925.

LIBRARY

Article 89. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books, and for the services of a janitor.

RECREATION

Article 90. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate to be expended upon Parks,

Playgrounds and Public Lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 91. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of organized play or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 92. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to remove from the lower part of Hollis Field enough loam to grade the ball field.

Article 93. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for park or playground purposes, land on the shore of Sunset Lake, contiguous to that now owned by the Town at the corner of Pond and Washington Streets and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 94. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, land of Mary Leatherbee on the easterly side of Tremont Street, bordering on French's Common, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase or taking of this land, or take any other action relative thereto.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 95. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$12,923.07 for Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Bonds, and the balance together with the unexpended balance of \$5,815.00 of the year 1926 for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 96. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department

the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners, and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction, and expenses of said department.

Article 97. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to continue the six-inch water main from dead end on Lakeview Avenue, through to Franklin Street, a distance of about 150 feet.

Article 98. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the extension of the water mains on Grove Street, from Plain Street to Liberty Street.

EDUCATION

Article 99. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools.

Article 100. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping the new high school.

Article 101. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of furnishing the Penniman School.

Article 102. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase or taking by eminent domain of land for school purposes as recommended by the Sites Committee.

Article 103. To see if the Town will vote to rescind so much of the vote under article 104 of the annual town meeting of 1926 as pertained to the taking by eminent domain of land in Braintree Highlands, known as Popple Island.

Article 104. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase or take by eminent domain, land for school purposes in that part of Braintree known as Braintree Highlands, or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY

Article 105. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and protection of the Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

Article 106. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of a superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery.

Article 107. To see if the Town will vote to accept a legacy of \$200.00 provided for in the will of George W .Kelley, late of Rockland, or take any action relative thereto.

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payments due on the Municipal Indebtedness and for the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

MISCELLANEOUS

Article 109. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 110. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A. R., Braintree Post 86, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lennon-Murray Post No. 923, in defraying expensces of Memorial Day.

Article 111. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the insurance under the Employees' Compensation Act.

Article 112. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay premiums on insurance policies of fire and liability.

Article 113. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to put a curbing around the driveway, regrade the lawn, and set out trees in front of the Legion Building on Washington Street.

PLANNING BOARD

Article 114. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Zoning Committee, appointed in accordance with the vote of the Town under Article 109 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926, and adopt the zoning by-law as recommended in said report, or take any action with reference thereto.

Article 115. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Planning Board in the preparation of a comprehensive town plan.

Article 116. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2, Article VII of the Town By-Laws for the purpose of changing the length of term of office of members of the Planning Board so that the members of said board shall hold office for a term of three years and in such a manner that the terms of not more than two members shall expire in any one year.

UNCLASSIFIED

Article 117. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for engineering.

Article 118. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages resulting from taking of any land for highway purposes.

Article 119. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for suitable street signs and signals.

Article 120. To see if the Town will vote to re-value properties throughout the Town and to see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to defray the expense of a Commission of five, which shall be appointed by the State Tax Commissioner, and which shall consist of three non-resident experts and two residents of the Town, whose duty it shall be to re-value properties in the Town of Braintree.

Article 121. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to have printed and published in book form the assessor's value of all property in the Town of Braintree, as the same appears in the Assessors' books for the year 1926, and to see if the town will appoint a committee of three who shall have full access to the Assessors' books, no one of said committee to be chosen from those now holding an elective town office.

Article 122. To see what action the Town will take under Article XLVIII of the amendments to the constitution covering the proper initiative, namely II, Section 3, for "An Act to permit certain sports and games on the Lord's Day."

Article 123. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, certain land on the northerly side of Weymouth Road, in part for school and in part for Park purposes and raise and appropriate a

sum of money fo the same, and for the taking of land by eminent domain on said Road for highway purposes.

Article 124. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, to dispose of a piece of land in South Braintree Square, now belonging to it, and accepted as a gift under article 99 of the Annual Town Meeting of the year 1924.

Article 125. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for dredging the channel of the Fore River, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 126. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of electric lights from Five Corners to a point about 2,000 feet south of said Five Corners, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 127. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect one pole, and install one street light half way between Franklin Street and the present light at the corner of Lakeview Avenue and Sumner Avenue.

Article 128. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for highway purposes land on Pond Street belonging either to Avis A. Thayer or the heirs of Moses Dyer, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 129. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for cemetery purposes land bordering on the present Plain Street Cemetery and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 130. To see if the Town will vote to repeal Section 17 of Article 10 of the By-Laws which

now provides:—“Section 17. Whenever an existing private way, the fee of which is in the abutters, shall be laid out for the acceptance of the Town as a Town way, the documents relating to such laying out shall be accompanied by a letter from the Selectmen, which shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk, together with said documents, before such way shall be accepted. This letter shall state that such private way is well built; and that, as constructed, it is equal to the average construction of the existing highways of the Town.”

Article 131. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chapter 654 of the Acts of 1913, as a Reserve Fund.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said seventh day of March, 1927, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH
SHELLEY A. NEAL,
EDWARD AVERY,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 11, 1927.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therin mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Jury List

As prepared by the Selectmen, February 1st, 1927

- Adams, Clarence B. E., 78 Front Street, salesman.
Allen, Frank, Central Avenue, railroad employe.
Anderson, Conrad A., 246 Washington St., draftsman.
Angier, George A., 46 Central Avenue, shoeworker.
Appleyard, James T., 119 Shaw Street, carpet layer.
Atkinson, Courtenay, 14 Union Street, clerk.
Bailey, Charles H. H., 6 Taylor Street, postmaster.
Bean, Irving M. 61 Mt. Vernon Avenue, manager.
Bennett, Charles M., 33 Cochato Road, clerk.
Bates, C. Irving, 10 Shaw Street, manager.
Bloom, Morris, 19 Commercial Street, merchant.
Brady, Walter C., 11 Claremont Street, manager.
Binney, Henry D., 33 Mt. Vernon Street, clerk.
Buckley, George T., Oak Street, conductor.
Bunker, Will A., 144 Middle Street, machinist.
Burns, Frank W., 46 Prescott Lane, teamster.
Cahill, Edward D., 65 Hobart Street, grocer.
Cain, Theron I., 44 Plymouth Avenue, artist.
Cassell, William H., 179 Commercial Street, shoecutter.
Cook, Philip R., 16 Ardmore Street, salesman.
Cassidy, Clarence W., 92 Argyle Road, bursar.
Donnelly, Robert J., Sterling Street, carpenter.
Delorey, Walter E., Front Street, shoeworker.
Dosenberg, Carl, 4 Marietta Avenue, machinist.
Ellis, Fred R., 26 N. Bowditch Street, moulder.
Ellsworth, Alfred E., Hilltop Road, clerk.
Faulkner, Frank L., Faulkner Place, real estate.
Faustini, Luigi, Quincy Avenue, carpenter.
Fuglested, J. Alfred, Venus Road, painter.
Gogan, George L., 30 Robinson Avenue, clerk.

- Goodnow, Fred, 1350 Washington Street, musician.
Hale, Thomas I., 33 Adams Street, machinist.
Hastings, Arthur H., 70 Hollis Avenue, clerk.
Hollis, Albert F., 39 Taylor Street, janitor.
Jones, Jesse W., Washington Street, electrician.
Kiley, Patrick, 23 Commercial Street, clerk.
King, Herbert W., Somerville Avenue, carpenter.
Lord, Frank P., 11 Stetson Street, clerk.
Matthews, Charles W.; 244 Liberty Street, farmer.
Mattie, James F., 670 Commercial Street, farmer.
McRae, Edward A., 124 Hobart Street, painter.
Miller, Charles O., 38 Liberty Street, banker.
Monaghan, Paul, 125 Plain Street, mason.
Morrison, Archie, 7 Liberty Street, clerk.
Mulligan, Thomas, Jr., 221 Commercial St., R. R. em.
Pearson, Isaac E., 231 Franklin St., custom house em.
Powers, William J., 84 Front Street, plumber.
Robery, John P., 304 Liberty Street, farmer.
Saunders, Howard M., 130 Phillips Street, shoeworker.
Sprague, George T., Bellevue Road, clerk.
Stackhouse, Gordon, 18 NC. Bowditch St., painter.
Stevens, George W., 75 Tremont Street, jeweller.
Sullivan, John J., 321 ommercial StCreet, laborer.
Temple, Charles C., 69 Liberty Street, builder.
Thayer, Louis W., 71 Tremont Street, clerk.
Tobey, Charles H., Washington Street, accountant.
Vinton, Harry F., River Street, insurance.
Walker, Frank H., 35 Hollingsworth Ave., bookkeeper.
Walker, George A., 15 Lincoln Street, manufacturer.
Wentworth, Frank E., 381 Liberty Street, retired.
Wilkins, Benjamin T., 508 Commercial Street, teamster.
Tagen, Thomas H., 2 Liberty Street, auditor.
Tarbox, Charles F., 22 Miller Avenue, teamster.
Tardif, Philemon, 23 Hobart Street, painter.

Town Officers for 1926

Moderator

WILLIAM F. ROGERS

Town Clerk

HENRY A. MONK

Town Treasurer

OTIS B. OAKMAN

Selectmen, Highway Surveyors and Overseers of the Poor

JONATHAN W. FRENCH

SHELLEY A. NEAL

EDWARD AVERY

Assessors

EDWARD AVERY

Term Expires 1927

WALTER O. HASTINGS

Term Expires 1928

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD

Term Expires 1929

Auditors

RALPH W. ARNOLD

PAUL MONAGHAN

HERBERT W. CURTIS

Water Commissioners and Commissioners of Sinking Funds

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS

Term Expires 1927

WILLIAM C. HARRISON

Term Expires 1928

GEORGE H. WALKER

Term Expires 1929

Municipal Light Board

ALEXANDER A. CARSON

Term Expires 1927

CHARLES T. CRANE

Term Expires 1928

NORTON P. POTTER

Term Expires 1929

Board of Health

WILLIS H. MARTIN

Term Expires 1927

JOSEPH G. BAILEY

Term Expires 1928

PERCY T. RICHARDS

Term Expires 1929

School Committee

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| RALPH W. WOODSUM | Term Expires 1929 |
| CARRIE F. LORING | Term Expires 1929 |
| ALIDA N. STEVENS | Term Expires 1928 |
| HENRY D. HIGGINS | Term Expires 1928 |
| FRANKLIN H. MERRIAM | Term Expires 1927 |
| C. FREDERICK TARBOX | Term Expires 1927 |

Trustees of the School Funds

Term Expires 1928

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| HERBERT F. KNEELAND | ELMER E. ABERCROMBIE |
| ARTHUR L. HALE | OTIS B. OAKMAN |
| WILLIAM H. HEATH | HENRY F. ARNOLD |
| | JOHN HARDING |

Park Commissioners

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| ALBERT F. HOLLIS | Term Expires 1929 |
| LAWRENCE A. TRAINOR | Term Expires 1928 |
| JOHN N. RODGERS | Term Expires 1927 |

Trustees of Thayer Public Library

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| ALBERT E. AVERY | HERBERT F. KNEELAND |
| JOHN W. HARDING | Term Expires 1927 |
| AMY C. MANNING | Term Expires 1927 |

Fence Viewers

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| THOMAS F. CROKE | ALBERT R. QUALEY |
| | HARRY C. LAKE |

Tax Collector, OTIS B. OAKMAN**Tree Warden, CLARENCE R. BESTICK****Treasurer, OTIS B. OAKMAN****Constables**

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| HARVEY J. ANNIS | JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN |
| CLARENCE R. BESTICK | CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND |
| JOHN J. HEANEY | CHARLES S. HANNAFORD |
| MARK HENNEBURY | CHARLES A. HOBART |
| AUGUST JOHNSON | JOHN P. SHAY |
| N. ERIC NELSON | HARRY F. VINTON |
| THOMAS SLAVIN | AUGUSTUS T. WENTWORTH |
| WALTER S. BELYEA | W. GORDON STACKHOUSE |

Surveyors of Wood and Weighers of Hay

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| CHARLES G. SHEPPARD | WILFORD F. WOODSUM |
| | FRED W. PERCY |

Measurers of Lumber

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| HERBERT W. BORDEN | SHELLEY A. NEAL |
| CHARLES O. MILLER | |

Planning Board

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| THERON I. CAIN | WALLACE WILSON |
| ARTHUR G. CHAPMAN | MARK HENNEBURY |
| MERTON A. TURNER | |

OFFICERS APPOINTED**Police**

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| JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN, Chief | |
| AUGUST JOHNSON | JOHN J. HEANEY |
| JOHN P. SHAY | NELS E. NELSON |
| HARVEY J. ANNIS | WALTER S. BELYEA |
| CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND | |
| JOHN J. HEANEY, Appt. Chief | |

Measurer of Leather, EDWARD H. DRINKWATER**Field Drivers**

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| CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND | THOMAS SLAVIN |
| JOSEPHUS SAMPSON | |

Engineers of Fire Department

FRED A. TENNEY, Chief

Deputies

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| J. SAMUEL HILL | FRANK O. WHITMARSH |
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Superintendent of Fire Alarm, FRED B. LAWRENCE**Moderator**

WILLIAM F. ROGERS

Town Clerk

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| HENRY A. MONK | OTIS B. OAKMAN |
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Selectmen, Highway Surveyors and Overseers of the Poor

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| JONATHAN W. FRENCH | SHELLEY A. NEAL |
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EDWARD AVERY

Assessors

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| EDWARD AVERY | Term Expires 1927 |
| WALTER O. HASTINGS | Term Expires 1928 |
| CHARLES S. HANNAFORD | Term Expires 1929 |

Auditors

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| RALPH W. ARNOLD | PAUL MONAGHAN |
| HERBERT W. CURTIS | |

Board of Registrars

WILLIAM ALLEN

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS

JOSEPH DRINKWATER

Sealer of Weights and Measures, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD**Inspector of Animals**, JOSEPHUS SAMPSON**Assistant Inspector of Animals**, ALFRED H. HOLBROOK**Inspector of Meats and Provisions**, JOHN J. HEANEY**Inspector of Plumbing**, J. EDWARD LUDDEN**Forest Warden**, FRED A. TENNEY**Local Moth Superintendent**, WILLIAM J. McCUSKER**Burial Agent**, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD**Superintendent of Braintree Home**, JAMES T. CHRISTIAN**Superintendent of Streets**, FRED AUSTERBERRY**Pound Keeper**, JAMES T. CHRISTIAN**Inspector of Wires**, AUGUSTUS T. WENTWORTH**Appropriation Committee**

EDWARD J. SULLIVAN

WALTER R. HOWLAND

JOSEPH LANDERS

ISAAC PEARSON

FRED L. HAYDEN

BERNARD R. ANDREWS

WALTER K. CARSON

HARRY F. ARNOLD

GEORGE L. ANDERSON

JOHN W. HARDING

CHARLES O. MILLER

J. HERBERT WALSH

CHARLES A. POWERS

HENRY McCUSKER

PERCY A. GIBSON

WILLIAM D.AITKEN

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RULES AND DIRECTIONS IN CASE OF FIRE

To give an alarm of Fire, open door, pull hook down once and let go; then shut door, stay at box and direct the Firemen to the fire.

Second alarm is to be given by the Chief or some one in authority. It is to be given by repeating the first.

Two Blows, fire all out.

Two Blows at 12:00 noon test.

Three Blows, Chief's Call.

Four Blows, to open draw bridge.

One Blow, call lineman.

2-2-2, Lost child call.

Box test, at noon Saturdays.

Five Blows, woods fire, So. Braintree district.

Six Blows, woods fire, Braintree district.

Seven Blows, woods fire, Elm Braintree district.

Out-of-town calls: Quincy, 55; Weymouth, 66; Randolph, 77; Holbrook, 88. Vacancy of ~~any~~ answering call to be covered by Squad A.

Do not pull box for Woods fire, call Central Station. No School Signal on stormy days, 3-2-1 will be sounded on the fire alarm; no session for all grades at 7:30 A. M. No session for first four grades 2:00, no session for all grades 11:00, no session for first four grades 1:00.

Chief's Res. Tel. 0916.

Central Fire Station, 0815.
East Braintree Station, 0751.

NUMBER AND LOCATION OF BOXES

Precinct 1.

- 41 Union and Middle Sts.
- 42 Union and Wash. Sts.
- 43 Pearl and Wash. Sts.
- 45 Pearl St., Opp. Shoe Factory.
- 46 Hancock St., Hollings'h Estate.
- 47 Pond St., near She'd's Ice House
- 48 Five Corners.
- 51 Hancock St. and Highland Ave.
- 52 Wash. St. and Standish Ave.
- 53 Norfolk County Hospital.
- 54 Wash. St. and Division St.

- 143 Washington and Pond Sts.
- 145 Fount in St.
- 146 Plain and Grove Sts.
- 147 Pond and Town Sts.
- 441 Franklin St. and Concord Ave.
- 411 Liberty and Middle Sts.
- 442 Tremont St. and Hobson Ave.
- 444 Reclamation Plant.
- 446 Monatiq'tt Harbour Quay.
- 471 Pond and Granite Sts.
- 511 Peach and Liberty Sts.

Precinct 2.

- 31 Elm and Middle Sts.
- 32 River and Middle Sts.
- 34 Washington and Elm Sts.
- 35 Washington and West Sts.
- 36 Ash St. and Hollis Ave.
- 37 Walnut St. and Hollis Ave.
- 38 Wash. St., opp. Monatiq'tt Sch.

- 131 Cedar and Pleasant Sts.
- 134 Washington and Cumm'l Sts.
- 135 West and Mt. Vernon Sts.
- 351 Clark St.
- 311 Elm St. Brinkley's House.
- 312 Holmes St.

Precinct 3.

- 21 Quincy Ave. and Hayward St.
- 23 Quincy Ave. and Comm'l St.
- 24 Elliot St.
- 25 Allen and Commercial Sts.
- 26 Allen and Shaw Sts.
- 27 Comm'r'l St. and Factory Hill.
- 29 Commercial and Elm Sts.
- 123 Beechwood and Arthur St.
- 125 Liberty and Lisle Sts.

- 221 Haywood and Howard Sts.
- 211 Edgmont Road.
- 223 Pleasant View Ave.
- 225 Liberty St. (Ridder Green St.)
- 26 Shaw St. and Cottontree Ave.
- 227 Hobart and Prospect Sts.
- 231 Comm'l St. and Elm Knoll Rd.
- 232 Union St. Co